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THE CHICAGO TRIBUNE: TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 28, 1871.

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THE LEGISLATURE.

Record of Yesterday's Proceedings.

The House Decides to Take a Recess Independent of the Senate.

Prohibiting the Acceptance of Railroad Passes Tabled in the Senate.

Tariff Resolution Sent to a Special Committee.

Plan of Legislative Apportionment Proposed in the House.

Special Despatch to The Chicago Tribune.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Nov. 27.—Mr. Brown, of Macon, not absent on Friday, but was in the house since the beginning of the session. The members from Cook County are Heafield, Dixon, Dean, Phelps, Derrickson, Semke, Campbell, Heafield, Dixon, Foss, and Egan have been present at all

ADJOURNMENT RESOLUTION.

The House to-day adjourned a resolution to adjourn on Wednesday to Saturday, which means that it will be no session on Saturday.

SENATE ATTENDANCE.

The Senate to-day was just able to get along, there not being present. The absentees at roll call to-day were Bangs, Bishop, Boyd, Doggett, Donahue, Dore, Eddy, Esler, Harlan, Hunter, Lansing, Nicholson, Sole, Grevely, Timber, Washburn, and Wood.

MILITARY ACADEMY BILL.

Mr. Glasser's bill for a Military Educational Institution or University provides for a thorough system of military education, these graduates to be commissioned in militia.

TO BOTTLES—THE REFERENCE SYSTEM.

The House went into Committee of the Whole, there was no quorum present, and spent the forenoon on a bill prohibiting people from refilling or using bottles with marks of mineral water manufacturers thereon, which applies to Chicago, and provides for referees in common law causes, which is identical with the New York law on that subject, which has worked admirably there. Opposition was made to it by Mr. King, of Cook, and other lawyers, who, being unfamiliar with the working of the system, assumed that it would be expensive, and did not answer the purpose well as a trial by jury. The objections to the bill were generally made by technical lawyers, and by those who believed the present system is perfect and incapable of better and opposed such proposition because it is because it injures trade. Business men in the House favor it. Finally, the bill was reported back favorably without essential alteration.

APPORTIONMENT.

The consideration of the Apportionment bill in the House was postponed till Thursday week. The motion to the committee's report is rather increasing, more talkative, but it is not yet seem strong enough to endanger the bill. Some individuals are here from Cook and elsewhere to oppose the proposed change, and this afternoon, in the House, Mr. Roberts moved the reconsidering the report of the committee, which applies to Chicago, and from the latter, believing, apparently, that the committee would concur therein. Nearly all the members are in favor of this scheme, while it was opposed only on the ground that it would endanger the resolution. Several members were investigated, and, finally, by a vote of 69 to 68, the motion to reconsider, including everything definable, was, semi-special committee, and is so fungied up that it will be some time before it comes again. Many of the Democrats seem to prefer no bread to bridge fences.

BRIDGE FENCES.

Senate in the afternoon talked of hedge and bridge fencing.

NEW PLAN OF APPORTIONMENT.

Several members of the House have prepared a report and amendment which will be presented in amendment to the committee's bill: Bissell, Craig, Boone, McHenry, and Lake, Smith, Kane, and Du Page, Dement, Smith, Du Daviess, Fulton, Eleventh, Cole and DeKalb, Third, Twelfth and Kendall, Fifteenth, Burgen and Stark, Sixteenth, Peoria, Seventeenth, Knox and Stark, Eighteenth, Knox and Stark, Twenty-first, Marshall and Livingston, Twenty-eighth, Champaign and Ford, Twenty-third, Macon, DeWitt, and Thirty-second, Clark, Cumberland, and Coles, Thirty-fifth, Jasper, Richland, Lawrence, and Wabash, Thirty-ninth, Shelby and Effingham, Forty-eighth, Wayne, Clay, and Jefferson. Only those districts are given which a change is made. It is claimed by it that the Thirty-fifth and Thirty-eighth Districts are made considerably Republican, and the Forty-eighth is made rather Democratic, yet it is a gain of one. This will give twenty-Republican, seventeen Democratic, and five doubtful. Geographically, it is certainly as the committee's bill, but since it if be not for the Democrats it will fail in the present quarter. This new plan will receive support of some Northern members, but to be acted it will need Democratic votes.

LEGISLATIVE.

SENATE.

ROLL CALL.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Nov. 27.—The Secretary proceeded to call the roll of absentees, whereupon McNULTA objected on the ground, first, that a report was not properly lodged at the moment the Senate had adopted no rule regulating the calling of the roll.

PRESIDENT decided that the motion fairly stopped, and ordered the call to proceed. Twenty-three failed to answer.

NEW MEMBER.

The credentials of Wm. H. Allen, Senator-elect from the Sixteenth District, Geo Shepherd, retired, were presented.

COMMITTEE VACANCIES FILLED.

PRESIDENT announced the appointments to vacancies in committees.

HOLDEN offered a resolution providing for an additional member of the Committee on Judiciary. Adopted. Mr. Edsall appointed.

NEW BILLS.

BEDDICK introduced a bill to avoid the law prohibiting from the sale of intoxicating

RAILROAD PASSES.

WHITING introduced a bill to prevent members of the General Assembly accepting railroad passes. The bill provides for a forfeiture of the office of the member accepting railroad

MORRIS moved to lay the bill upon the

vote was as follows:

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Marsh,	Vaughan,	
McNulta,	York,	
Richardson,	Williams,	
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Hampton,	VanBuskirk,	
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So the motion was agreed to, when the vote was announced. On the second call the vote was as

AYES.

Little,	Richardson,	
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Underwood,	Wilkinson.	

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So the bill was laid on the table.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Mr. HOLCOMB introduced a bill giving consent to the building of a bridge across the Mississippi at Camp Girardeau.

Senate bill 297, concerning hedge fences along county roads, was read a third time and made the special order for 4 o'clock.

THE APPORTIONMENT BILL

be called up on a second reading. An effort was made to postpone the reading until Monday next, which failed.

Mr. MARSH moved the postponement of the bill to Friday. Objected to. The bill was got a satisfactory one at all. He complained of the inequality in which his district, the Thirteenth, had been determined upon.

Mr. VAN DORSTEN objected to the bill on the ground laid by Marsh. He wanted it postponed for a week.

Mr. FULLER objected to any delay.

Mr. VAN DORSTEN characterized the bill as a violation of the Constitution in many respects, and wanted the bill postponed until the people could be heard from.

Mr. YORIS supported Mr. VanDorsten. The majority could dispose of the bill whenever they chose. They would district the State as they pleased, but he would like a little courtesy exhibited by the minority.

House bill 54, to amend the act incorporating the city of Nashville, coming up, cut off action on it upon a permanent bill. The Nashville bill was laid on the table. Considerable discussion arose on the motion to postpone the Apportionment bill, which was finally postponed to one week from Thursday next.

THIRD READING OF BILLS.

House bill 54, to provide for uniformity in calculating days of grace; No. 386, to make an appropriation for certain State expenses, were read a third time.

JUDICIAL.

Senate bill, relating to special terms of courts, was taken up, passed by House with amendments, was taken up, and postponed to Tuesday.

JURISDICTION OF JUSTICES.

Senate bill 30, to increase the jurisdiction of Justices of the Peace, passed by; 26 ayes, 2, Richardson and Van Dorsten voting no.

HEDGE FENCES.

Senate bill 265, repealing the act creating the Fifth Common Piece of Amboy was read a

HEDGE FENCES.

The bill relating to hedge fences, the special order, was taken up and referred back to the Committee on Agriculture.

EXPLANATION.

Mr. EDSALL, by leave, stated the citizens of Amboy did not desire the repeal of the act creating a court at Amboy. He wanted the bill put over until certain remonstrances from abroad were against the bill now in the Senate should be received. The bill was postponed until one week from Friday next.

HEDGE FENCES AGAIN.

Mr. WHITING, from the Committee on Agriculture, reported back the bill relating to hedge fences with an amendment, which occupied the attention of the Senate from 3 o'clock to 4:10.

Senate bill relates to the Osage orange fences,

FOREIGN.

Continued Serious Illness of the Prince of Wales.

Opening of the First Session of the Italian Parliament in Rome.

Extensive Military Preparations Being Made in Russia.

Great Britain.

LONDON, Nov. 27.—The Court circular in the evening journals announces that Her Royal Highness the Princess Alexandria, wife of the Prince of Wales, is ill.

Some rioting is reported to have taken place at Dover yesterday. The disorder was easily suppressed by the local authorities.

NEW YORK, Nov. 27.—A London letter, speaking of the Tichborne trial, says that the cost of taking and printing the notes of the evidence has been $6,000 a week. Hundreds of witnesses have been brought from South America and Australia this week. Witness after witness comes up and swears that he recognizes the claimant as the real Sir Roger. The defence will try to prove that they are all mercenary, perjured witnesses, or utterly mistaken.

LONDON, Nov. 27.—The last official bulletin of his physician up to 10 o'clock this morning, reports that the Prince of Wales passed a sleepless night.—His fever is increasing, but the strength of the patient still holds out against it. The Queen is constantly at the bedside of the Prince.

The Paris *Reveil* says there now exists in England 68 clubs devoted to republicanism.

A collision occurred last night off the Irish coast between the ships Marmion and Oceola. The latter sunk very soon after she was struck. Several of the crew escaped by jumping aboard the Marmion, but 9 men are missing. It is hoped that they have saved themselves in one of the boats.

LIVERPOOL, Nov. 27.—Steamer City of Limerick, from New York, has arrived at Queenstown.

LONDON, Nov. 27, evening.—The physicians in attendance upon the Prince of Wales issue a bulletin this evening, stating that the Prince has been quiet during the day, but without any change in the symptoms of the disease under which he is suffering.

West Indies.

HAVANA, Nov. 27.—Tuesday afternoon a number of medical students of the Royal University pumped the walls of the cemetery, and committed other excesses. The Captain attempted to disperse the students, but was stoned him away. On Saturday the Governor of Havana visited the university and demanded of the medical faculty the name of the students. The faculty students remained silent, and the case was then submitted over to the Rector. Several students then testified, and six members of the class were forthwith ejected and sent to prison. The court temporarily dislodged forty-two students, who also ejected in complicity in the act. The court is working actively in the case, and, with the aid of the police, expects to discover the guilty parties. In cases, who will be punished as severely as the law permits.

NEW YORK, Nov. 27.—A Puerto Principe letter of the 11th instant states that 600 Spanish reinforcements had arrived there on the 10th, with arms and munitions of war. They were received with great enthusiasm. Agents are meeting with success in the enlistment of recruits, and the number is published in both English and German. Castine—Interior interior are being circulated. Any number of copies per dozen, 25 copies per dozen, and 100 copies. Send for circulars and see our terms, and a liberal commission. Address, Publishing Co., 181 West Madison-st., Chicago, Illinois.

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FOR SALE—OR EXCHANGE—MICHIGAN-AV., NORTH OF Thirty-seventh-st., 132x132, in one of the most desirable lots on the avenue. J. H. KREELER, 202 Halsted, corner Harrison-st.

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FOR SALE—SIXTH MADISON, NEAR MAY-sfield-a, a fine business lot. A. DOHERTY, 39 State-st., Chicago.

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FOR SALE—A HORSE, WAGON, HARNESS, sleigh, and saddle. Also 100 A. No. 1 good chopping for sale by SOUTH Chicago.

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FOR SALE—$200 WILL BUY ONE OF THE finest horses in the city. Eleventh-st., between Dearborn and Clark-sts. Apply to 1,000 Fifth-st., Factory and State Yard, corner Nineteenth and Grove-sts.

FOR SALE—SIX GOOD COMPOSITORE APPLY immediately to FRED ALLES, 120 Fourth-av.

FOR SALE—WELL BROKEN MARE, WEIGHT 1,000 pounds; 5 years old; sound; harness and saddle if desired. Also, 2 good horses, weight 2,400 pounds, suitable for farm or draft. Inquire at 1,000 Fifth-st., Factory and State Yard, corner Nineteenth and Grove-sts.

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FOR SALE—A FIRST-CLASS COOK FOR A hotel; a shop 6 miles in the country; also good girls and boys for private families in the city and country. Apply at Mrs. THOMPSON'S, 100 Sixth-st.

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WANTED—A GERMAN OR SWEDE GIRL TO do general housework. Apply at 1,000 West Washington-st.

WANTED—TWO GOOD GIRLS TO DO GENeral housework. Apply at 1,000 West Madison-st., near Ashland-av.

WANTED—A GOOD GIRL TO COOK, WASH and iron; good wages, paid weekly. Apply immediately at 243 Cottage Grove-av., between Peck-ct. and Harrison-st.

WANTED—A GERMAN, SWEDE OR NORWEgian little to general housework in a private family. Reference required. Call at 347 Wabash-av., corner of Twenty-first-st.

WANTED—A COOK FOR RIVERSIDE HOTEL. Apply at KINSLEY'S, 104 Michigan-av., or 800 West Randolph-st.

FOR SALE—THIRTY TONS OF FANCY MICHIgan Red and White Potatoes, delivered by LOVEJOY & CO., Litchfield, Mich.

FOR SALE—A FINE YOUNG COW AT A BARgain. Enquire at 104 West Monroe-st.

FOR SALE—A BILLIARD TABLE CAN BE seen at 104 Washington.

FOR SALE—A LUNCH COUNTER SHELVING and stools. Call at 94 West Madison-st.

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PERSONAL.

PERSONAL—WILL E. FAGAN, PLEASE ADdress your father, GLASGOW, Illinois. E. B. FAGAN.

PERSONAL—THE PARTIES WHO TOOK THE pocketbook off the counter of the Merchants' Factory & Machinery Co., on Saturday night, is known, and had better return the same and save further trouble.

PERSONAL—IF JOHN CAIN IS IN CHICAGO, he can hear of something to his advantage by calling on HOLLOW & WALLING, at 100 State-st.

PERSONAL—WIFE, JAN. EDWARDS, FOR merly employed on the Tremont House, Chicago, will please address, C. O. box 613, Aurora, Kane County, Ill., or she will hear of something to her advantage.

PERSONAL—THE RELATIONS OF JOHN PETER SCHATT, who left Germany in the year 1849, and who is supposed to be living in Chicago, will hear of something to their advantage by addressing WILLIAM, care H. E. PHILLIPS, 106 Cannon-st., Chicago, Ill.

TO RENT—STORES, OFFICES, &c.

TO RENT—SECOND AND THIRD FLOORS and basement, at South Desplaines-st., for business purposes, or offices. A. KLINKE.

TO RENT—DESK ROOM IN LARGE ROOM near corner of Trade, at $8 per month. Room heated and kept in order. T. S. McCLELAND, 8 Chamber of Commerce.

TO RENT—ONE-HALF OF PERHAPS THE whole of a nice basement, at 33 West Madison-st.

TO RENT—TWO BARNS. INQUIRE AT 39 West Monroe-st.

TO RENT—FOR BUSINESS PURPOSES. TWO or three rooms, first floor, 41 Hubbard court; nine rooms on second floor, corner of No. 184 State-st., now occupied. Apply to C. C. THAYER & CO., Auction and Commission and Real Estate Agents, 41 Hubbard court.

TO RENT—THE TWO STORES, NOS. 84 AND 86, at 84 and 86 South Water-st., for five years, to good responsible tenant. Will be finished all over and the whole will present features of a new building. Inquire of H. H. SHUFELDT, 164 Fulton-st.

TO RENT—A LARGE BRICK STORE AND basement, suitable for Carpet or wax Mattress; splendid location, easy lease, and low rent. P. NORWOOD, 1,000 Wabash-av.

TO RENT—SECOND STORY OF STORE NO. 88 Michigan-av., with or without boiler, with or without steam power. Address P. W. D. FELLEY & BRO., No. 338 Michigan-av.

TO RENT—ON MADISON-ST., NEAR CENtre-av., two front rooms, newly kalsomined and papered, suitable for housekeeping; rent $40 per month. Address H. H. Tribune office.

TO RENT—TWO FRONT ROOMS, FOR GENtlemen, over store No. 273 West Madison-st., corner Throop.

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TO RENT—A FRONT ROOM FURNISHED. Call at 200 Fourth-av.

TO RENT—ONE FURNISHED OR UNFURnished room, in a private family. Apply to W. H. FRANCIS, 200 Fifth-av.

TO RENT—THREE ROOMS AT NOS. 11 AND 13 South Canal-st., suitable for offices or sleeping rooms. Also, a store and basement, No. 15 South Canal-st. Apply to GEORGE HARNER, 2 Randolph-st.

TO RENT—A FRONT ROOM, WITH OR WITHout board, at 104 Fourth-av., conveniently to business. Apply at 58 South Curtis-st.

TO RENT—TWO NICE, UNFURNISHED rooms, in a private family, to a respectable person, with references. Apply at 239 Desplaines-st.

TO RENT—LARGE FURNISHED FRONT room, with stove, 2 blocks from cars, near Adams-st. Terms reasonable. 388 West Harrison.

TO RENT—FURNISHED ROOMS; DESIRA-ble for housekeeping. Will exchange house rent and furniture for good piano. Apply at 528 Cottage Grove-av.

TO RENT—NOS. 1342, 1344, 1346 AND 1348 Michigan-av., two stories and cellar, very large, with SIMEON MERRILL, 228 Wabash-av.

TO RENT—OR FOR SALE—NEW TEN-ROOM dwelling, 1336 Wabash-av., all modern improvements. Inquire at 1,000 Fifth-st., Factory and State Yard, corner Nineteenth and Grove-sts.

TO RENT—NO. 78 MICHIGAN-AV., BETWEEN Dearborn and Clark-sts., 3 stories and basement, with fine 2-story barn 20x38. House has 11 rooms, bath and gas fixtures, and is in the engravings and all of the new improvements; immediate possession. Inquire on the premises, or of WM. HANSON, 421 Wabash-av.

TO RENT—RIVERSIDE RESIDENCE—AN ELEgant residence at Riverside for the winter; has a fine cottage and barn; will be rented at very low rate. Apply to R. W. MONTGOMERY, 22 Madison-st.

HORSES AND CARRIAGES.

BOARDING—PARTIES HAVING ANY HORSES they wish to board during the winter, or coming winter, will find it to their advantage to call at 70 Fifth-av., where they can be accommodated very reasonable. W. HANSON.

CAR LOADS OF HEAVY DRAFT HORSES arrived this day. Also, a car load of Kentucky mules, 14 to 15 hands high, 4 to 5 years old. EASLEY, WOOD & BRO., No. 338 Michigan-av.

FOR SALE—TWO WHOLESALE NOTION WAGons, medium size, Hoyt's Elliptic made, peddling wagons, as good as new, for sale cheap. MONTGOMERY & SEARS, 56 and 58 W

COMMON COUNCIL MEETING.

Steps to be Taken to Legalize the Destroyed Assessment Rolls.

Appropriation of $100,000 for the Repair of the Water Works.

Report of the Finance Committee on the Burnt Bonds.

The Fire Limits Ordinance Again Postponed.

A regular meeting of the Common Council was held last evening, President Holden in the chair. There were also present the following Aldermen: Isaac Knickerbocker, Dixon, Otis, Montgomery, Coey, McAvoy, Thompson, Whitaker, Dacey, Tracey, Schintz, Bixby, Bailey, W. S. Powell, George Powell, Bateham, Wilce, Walsh, Glade, McCutter, Witbeck, Campbell, Gardner, Shel, Buehler, McGrath, Tyler, Schmidt, Schintz, Schaffner, McCauley, Clarke, McCaffrey, Carney, Devine, Busse.

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS.

A petition of sanitary policemen asking pay for their services, was referred to the Committee on Finance.

A similar petition of a Norwegian regiment was similarly disposed of.

A petition asking that W. J. Leadbeater be allowed to remove his residence on Washington street to Jackson, was granted, and the prayer granted.

A similar petition from Joseph Freegan to remove from No. 85 Desplaines street to a vacant lot, was granted.

The petitions of Mary O'Connor, W. S. Hunt & Co., P. York, to remove their frame buildings for the purpose of building brick houses instead, were granted.

Ald. Bailey presented a petition for paving Mitchell street, which was referred to the Board of Public Works.

TELEGRAPH POLES IN THE CITY.

Ald. Schintz offered a resolution, asking the Corporation Counsel to give his opinion as to the authority of the telegraph companies to erect poles in the North Division.

Ald. Wilce moved to make it include the three divisions.

Ald. McCauley moved that the Corporation Counsel be requested to report on each division separately.

The motion was agreed to.

Ald. Shell presented a resolution, asking for lamp-posts on Washington avenue. Passed.

REBUILDING THE FRANKLIN AND FRANKLIN-STREET SCHOOLS.

A communication was received from the Board of Education asking the Council to appropriate $60,000 for the school building fund for the rebuilding of the Franklin and Franklin-street Primary Schools. Referred to the Committee on Schools.

THE OLD BRIDEWELL LOT.

The report of the City Comptroller, containing bids for the lease of the old Bridewell lot, was referred. The highest bid was that of Grant & Price, they offering $7,100 for the lot, or $6,100 for 272 1-2 feet fronting on Fifth avenue.

Ald. Schintz moved to refer it to the appropriate committee.

Ald. Montgomery gave the particulars of his failure to secure his re-election.

Ald. Dixon wanted the Council to proceed with the matter at once.

Ald. Campbell said there was no property in the city of such value that could be leased for so low a figure.

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SLAUGHTER-HOUSES ON THE NORTH SIDE.

The Board of Public Works presented an ordinance regulating the erection of breweries, distilleries, sticking-houses, or slaughter-houses in the North Division. The ordinance provided that no such building should be constructed on the North Side, unless within 500 feet of the North Branch, or of any creek or river flowing into it, and forbade the erection of such buildings east of the Canal, or on the North Division.

EXTENSION OF STREETS ON THE NORTH SIDE.

The Board of Public Works presented a report recommending the extension of Sophia and Oak streets, and Chestnut places and Oak street, as soon as the Legislature shall have passed the necessary laws for condemning private property, also, the widening of Chicago avenue near the Water Works. Referred.

LEGALIZING ASSESSMENT ROLLS.

Ald. McGrath presented, by unanimous consent, a resolution directing the Corporation Counsel to prepare a bill for the legalizing of the assessment rolls for street improvements, Considered by the Council of the whole.

The Chair said, if the Council could pass the resolution, immediate action could be taken.

Ald. Dacey moved to include the whole city, which amendment was accepted.

The resolution was adopted unanimously.

BRIDGE PASSES FOR BRIDGES.

Ald. Busse, by unanimous consent, offered a resolution instructing the Board of Public Works to build all bridges hereafter to be constructed on stone piers, and to construct, as soon as possible a bridge across the river at Adams street.

Ald. Schintz moved to amend by adding a bridge at Wells street.

The resolution was adopted.

REPAIRING THE WATER WORKS.

The Finance Committee made the following report:

GENTLEMEN: Your Committee on Finance, to whom was referred the communication from the Board of Public Works, with ordinance for the issuance and transfer of bonds for the repairs of the Water Works, having had the same under consideration, would respectfully report that they carefully considered the same with the Board and Chief Engineer, and are satisfied that the repairs and the amount immediately wanted to complete the pumping-works, and the connecting tunnel to the above pier will be needed for the present winter. Your committee, in view of the above facts, would recommend the transfer of only $100,000 at this time, and that the ordinance be amended and submitted to your committee, when a final estimate can be made, sufficient for May next, and when that sum is expended a more correct estimate can be obtained of what will be required to complete the repairs. Believing it to be the policy of the city to economize in the present expenditure of money, and consider all such outlay as to be unnecessary at this time, and that all the bonds mentioned were in the sinking-funds and were endorsed as stated by the Comptroller. The committee did not feel called upon to make any recommendation as to the restoration or cancellation of the bonds without direction from the Council, and deemed it but their duty to report the facts to the Council, that such action as may be deemed advisable might be taken.

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To the Jonathan Burr fund: Nos. 2,709, 2,710, 2,711, 2,712, 2,713, 2,714, 2,715, 2,716, 2,717, 2,718, 2,719, 2,720, 2,721, 2,722, 2,723, 2,724, 2,725, 2,726, 2,727, 2,728, 2,729, 2,730, 2,731, 2,732, 2,733, 2,734, 2,735, 2,736, 2,737, 2,738, 2,739, 2,740, 2,741, 2,742, 2,743, 2,744, 2,745, 2,746, 2,747, 2,748, 2,749, 2,750, 2,751, 2,752, 2,753, 2,754, 2,755, 2,756, 2,757, 2,758, 2,759, 2,760, 2,761, 2,762, 2,763, 2,764, 2,765, 2,766, 2,767, 2,768, 2,769, 2,770, 2,771, 2,772, 2,773, 2,774, 2,775, 2,776, 2,777, 2,778, 2,779, 2,780, 2,781, 2,782, 2,783, 2,784, 2,785, 2,786, 2,787, 2,788, 2,789, 2,790, 2,791, 2,792, 2,793, 2,794, 2,795, 2,796, 2,797, 2,798, 2,799, 2,800, 2,801, 2,802, 2,803, 2,804, 2,805, 2,806, 2,807, 2,808, 2,809, 2,810, 2,811, 2,812, 2,813, 2,814, 2,815, 2,816, 2,817, 2,818, 2,819, 2,820, 2,821, 2,822, 2,823, 2,824, 2,825, 2,826, 2,827, 2,828, 2,829, 2,830, 2,831, 2,832, 2,833, 2,834, 2,835, 2,836, 2,837, 2,838, 2,839, 2,840, 2,841, 2,842, 2,843, 2,844, 2,845, 2,846, 2,847, 2,848, 2,849, 2,850, 2,851, 2,852, 2,853, 2,854, 2,855, 2,856, 2,857, 2,858, 2,859, 2,860, 2,861, 2,862, 2,863, 2,864, 2,865, 2,866, 2,867, 2,868, 2,869, 2,870, 2,871, 2,872, 2,873, 2,874, 2,875, 2,876, 2,877, 2,878, 2,879, 2,880, 2,881, 2,882, 2,883, 2,884, 2,885, 2,886, 2,887, 2,888, 2,889, 2,890, 2,891, 2,892, 2,893, 2,894, 2,895, 2,896, 2,897, 2,898, 2,899, 2,900, 2,901, 2,902, 2,903, 2,904, 2,905, 2,906, 2,907, 2,908, 2,909, 2,910, 2,911, 2,912, 2,913, 2,914, 2,915, 2,916, 2,917, 2,918, 2,919, 2,920, 2,921, 2,922, 2,923, 2,924, 2,925, 2,926, 2,927, 2,928, 2,929, 2,930, 2,931, 2,932, 2,933, 2,934, 2,935, 2,936, 2,937, 2,938, 2,939, 2,940, 2,941, 2,942, 2,943, 2,944, 2,945, 2,946, 2,947, 2,948, 2,949, 2,950, 2,951, 2,952, 2,953, 2,954, 2,955, 2,956, 2,957, 2,958, 2,959, 2,960, 2,961, 2,962, 2,963, 2,964, 2,965, 2,966, 2,967, 2,968, 2,969, 2,970, 2,971, 2,972, 2,973, 2,974, 2,975, 2,976, 2,977, 2,978, 2,979, 2,980, 2,981, 2,982, 2,983, 2,984, 2,985, 2,986, 2,987, 2,988, 2,989, 2,990, 2,991, 2,992, 2,993, 2,994, 2,995, 2,996, 2,997, 2,998, 2,999, 3,000, 3,001, 3,002, 3,003, 3,004, 3,005, 3,006, 3,007, 3,008, 3,009, 3,010, 3,011, 3,012, 3,013, 3,014, 3,015, 3,016, 3,017, 3,018, 3,019, 3,020, 3,021, 3,022, 3,023, 3,024, 3,025, 3,026, 3,027, 3,028, 3,029, 3,030, 3,031, 3,032, 3,033, 3,034, 3,035, 3,036, 3,037, 3,038, 3,039, 3,040, 3,041, 3,042, 3,043, 3,044, 3,045, 3,046, 3,047, 3,048, 3,049, 3,050, 3,051, 3,052, 3,053, 3,054, 3,055, 3,056, 3,057, 3,058, 3,059, 3,060, 3,061, 3,062, 3,063, 3,064, 3,065, 3,066, 3,067, 3,068, 3,069, 3,070, 3,071, 3,072, 3,073, 3,074, 3,075, 3,076, 3,077, 3,078, 3,079, 3,080, 3,081, 3,082, 3,083, 3,084, 3,085, 3,086, 3,087, 3,088, 3,089, 3,090, 3,091, 3,092, 3,093, 3,094, 3,095, 3,096, 3,097, 3,098, 3,099, 3,100, 3,101, 3,102, 3,103, 3,104, 3,105, 3,106, 3,107, 3,108, 3,109, 3,110, 3,111, 3,112, 3,113, 3,114, 3,115, 3,116, 3,117, 3,118, 3,119, 3,120, 3,121, 3,122, 3,123, 3,124, 3,125, 3,126, 3,127, 3,128, 3,129, 3,130, 3,131, 3,132, 3,133, 3,134, 3,135, 3,136, 3,137, 3,138, 3,139, 3,140, 3,141, 3,142, 3,143, 3,144, 3,145, 3,146, 3,147, 3,148, 3,149, 3,150, 3,151, 3,152, 3,153, 3,154, 3,155, 3,156, 3,157, 3,158, 3,159, 3,160, 3,161, 3,162, 3,163, 3,164, 3,165, 3,166, 3,167, 3,168, 3,169, 3,170, 3,171, 3,172, 3,173, 3,174, 3,175, 3,176, 3,177, 3,178, 3,179, 3,180, 3,181, 3,182, 3,183, 3,184, 3,185, 3,186, 3,187, 3,188, 3,189, 3,190, 3,191, 3,192, 3,193, 3,194, 3,195, 3,196, 3,197, 3,198, 3,199, 3,200, 3,201, 3,202, 3,203, 3,204, 3,205, 3,206, 3,207, 3,208, 3,209, 3,210, 3,211, 3,212, 3,213, 3,214, 3,215, 3,216, 3,217, 3,218, 3,219, 3,220, 3,221, 3,222, 3,223, 3,224, 3,225, 3,226, 3,227, 3,228, 3,229, 3,230, 3,231, 3,232, 3,233, 3,234, 3,235, 3,236, 3,237, 3,238, 3,239, 3,240, 3,241, 3,242, 3,243, 3,244, 3,245, 3,246, 3,247, 3,248, 3,249, 3,250, 3,251, 3,252, 3,253, 3,254, 3,255, 3,256, 3,257, 3,258, 3,259, 3,260, 3,261, 3,262, 3,263, 3,264, 3,265, 3,266, 3,267, 3,268, 3,269, 3,270, 3,271, 3,272, 3,273 1-2 feet fronting on Fifth avenue.

Be it ordained, By the Common Council of the city of Chicago: That the sum of $200,000 be, and the same is hereby, transferred temporarily from the credit of the water bond account to the credit of the water fund account of the Water Works, the same to be used in repairing the loss and damage to the property of the Water Department, caused by the fire of the 8th and 9th, 1871, the same to be refunded out of the proceeds of the water rents, prior to April 1, 1872.

The engrossment was waived and the ordinance passed.

BLOOME VERSUS KNICKERBOCKER.

The Judiciary Committee, to whom was referred the contested election of Constable between Alderman C. Knickerbocker, for the office of Alderman of the First Ward, reported that, after carefully weighing the evidence, they found that in the election held in November, 1870, Knickerbocker received 650 and Bloome 647 votes; that Bloome was, therefore, the lawfully elected Alderman of that ward. To the report was appended the following resolution:

Resolved, That Carsten Bloome, Esq., be and he is hereby declared to be the Alderman of the First Ward of the city of Chicago, duly elected to such office by the votes of the said First Ward, at the election held November 8, 1870.

Ald. Dixon insisted that the report, being signed by Ald. Schintz and Montgomery only, could not come before the Council.

The Chair ruled it in order.

It was laid over.

THE NON-ELECTION OF CONSTABLES.

The same committee reported that there was no valid election for Constable in any but the Fifteenth and Twentieth Wards, and recommended that no certificates of election be granted to any of the Constables, except in the latter two wards.

The report was laid over.

BURNT BONDS.

The Finance Committee, to whom was referred the appended communication, reported that they had examined the contents of the Comptroller's safe, and found that 526 of the bonds, out of 562, were entirely preserved, but so charred as to break when handled. The remainder of the bonds were not only badly charred, but broken. After a patient and laborious examination, the committee were able to identify prices and numbers of all the bonds, except bond No. 2937 in a $1,000 sewerage bond, issued the 1st of July, 1865, and payable July 1, 1885, with interest at 7 per cent per annum. The committee examined the bonds and condition of the various sinking funds and found all right, and that time all the bonds mentioned were in the various sinking funds and were endorsed as stated by the Comptroller. The committee did not feel called upon to make any recommendation as to the restoration or cancellation of the bonds without direction from the Council, and deemed it but their duty to report the facts to the Council, that such action as may be deemed advisable might be taken.

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Ald. Schintz moved to refer it to the appropriate committee.

Ald. Montgomery gave the particulars of his failure to secure his re-election.

Ald. Dixon wanted the Council to proceed with the matter at once.

Ald. Campbell said there was no property in the city of such value that could be leased for so low a figure.

The report was referred to the Committee on Schools.

SLAUGHTER-HOUSES ON THE NORTH SIDE.

The Board of Public Works presented an ordinance regulating the erection of breweries, distilleries, sticking-houses, or slaughter-houses in the North Division. The ordinance provided that no such building should be constructed on the North Side, unless within 500 feet of the North Branch, or of any creek or river flowing into it, and forbade the erection of such buildings east of the Canal, or on the North Division.

EXTENSION OF STREETS ON THE NORTH SIDE.

The Board of Public Works presented a report recommending the extension of Sophia and Oak streets, and Chestnut places and Oak street, as soon as the Legislature shall have passed the necessary laws for condemning private property, also, the widening of Chicago avenue near the Water Works. Referred.

LEGALIZING ASSESSMENT ROLLS.

Ald. McGrath presented, by unanimous consent, a resolution directing the Corporation Counsel to prepare a bill for the legalizing of the assessment rolls for street improvements, Considered by the Council of the whole.

The Chair said, if the Council could pass the resolution, immediate action could be taken.

Ald. Dacey moved to include the whole city, which amendment was accepted.

The resolution was adopted unanimously.

BRIDGE PASSES FOR BRIDGES.

Ald. Busse, by unanimous consent, offered a resolution instructing the Board of Public Works to build all bridges hereafter to be constructed on stone piers, and to construct, as soon as possible a bridge across the river at Adams street.

Ald. Schintz moved to amend by adding a bridge at Wells street.

The resolution was adopted.

REPAIRING THE WATER WORKS.

The Finance Committee made the following report:

GENTLEMEN: Your Committee on Finance, to whom was referred the communication from the Board of Public Works, with ordinance for the issuance and transfer of bonds for the repairs of the Water Works, having had the same under consideration, would respectfully report that they carefully considered the same with the Board and Chief Engineer, and are satisfied that the repairs and the amount immediately wanted to complete the pumping-works, and the connecting tunnel to the above pier will be needed for the present winter. Your committee, in view of the above facts, would recommend the transfer of only $100,000 at this time, and that the ordinance be amended and submitted to your committee, when a final estimate can be made, sufficient for May next, and when that sum is expended a more correct estimate can be obtained of what will be required to complete the repairs. Believing it to be the policy of the city to economize in the present expenditure of money, and consider all such outlay as to be unnecessary at this time, and that all the bonds mentioned were in the sinking-funds and were endorsed as stated by the Comptroller. The committee did not feel called upon to make any recommendation as to the restoration or cancellation of the bonds without direction from the Council, and deemed it but their duty to report the facts to the Council, that such action as may be deemed advisable might be taken.

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The engrossment was waived and the ordinance passed.

BLOOME VERSUS KNICKERBOCKER.

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Resolved, That Carsten Bloome, Esq., be and he is hereby declared to be the Alderman of the First Ward of the city of Chicago, duly elected to such office by the votes of the said First Ward, at the election held November 8, 1870.

Ald. Dixon insisted that the report, being signed by Ald. Schintz and Montgomery only, could not come before the Council.

The Chair ruled it in order.

It was laid over.

THE NON-ELECTION OF CONSTABLES.

The same committee reported that there was no valid election for Constable in any but the Fifteenth and Twentieth Wards, and recommended that no certificates of election be granted to any of the Constables, except in the latter two wards.

The report was laid over.

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THE FARM AND GARDEN.

Every Woman Her Own Flower-Gardener—Artesian Wells and the State Geologist—Sugar from the Beet-Root—Situation of Soil—Various Conditions Necessary to Success.

From Our Agricultural Correspondent.

CHAMPAIGN, Ill., Nov. 25.

"Every woman her own flower-gardener," and why not? She lost her position in "the flower-garden" because she was intent after the apples; but undoubtedly those apples were pencilled in beauty with the warm kisses of the sun. The painter can make but a poor imitation of the colorings of either fruit or flower; and the apples of Eden, no doubt, presented both the useful and the beautiful, and, therefore, I am the last to blame her. But it is said this brought upon all of us the curse of labor. Conceding this, there are left to woman the beautiful flowers, that she so fondly loves; then why not allow her to fend her own flowers, and to be her own flower-gardener? So says "Daisy Eyebright," who has written a charming little book with this title, that is published by R. T. Williams, editor of the *Horticulturist*, New York city.

The author is not only practical, but has made the work attractive, by showing us the value and beauty of flowers. Flowers have a value, for the man or woman who knows no love of flowers is in a sad way, and liable to be looked on with distrust.

"Daisy Eyebright" was one of the party on our return from Colorado last August. On the great, treeless plains; along the Foot Hills; in the deep canons, walled in with "old red sandstone;" up to where the little rock bell struggles with the snow and ice that crown the granite that pierces the clouds, she gathered the wild flowers to fill her herbariums, and secured the ripe seeds, that these new beauties might be mingled with the old favorites at home. Such a lover of flowers is she, with long years of experience, for "Daisy" is a matron who has her own young daisies around her, and thus knows and appreciates the value of flowers in the household. The work is not, therefore, a piece of school-girl sentimentalism, but a practical treatise for those who need instruction on this useful subject of the adornment of home, and the secret of how roses are brought back to the cheeks of our wives and daughters by the planting and training of other roses.

Our female friends have of late years been running so much after dress that the flower garden has been almost lost sight of. A home in the country is not a home without trees, and plants, and flowers, and yet how many of our farm houses are destitute of them. In the making of a new home, we must first look to the useful; but it does not become a home until we add the beautiful.

On the dry plains, in the deep and secluded valleys, and high up on the mountain side the All Father plants the flowers, and these may bud and blossom without the eye of man to look upon them, as though they were planted for His use; but when man comes and spreads his dominion over them, they are dwarfed unless we give them this most kindly care. The yellow and pasture-fields of noxious weeds; and to keep the beautiful flowers they must be taken in to the household, and have the care of loved ones. Then, and not before, is the propriety and necessity that woman should be her own flower-gardener, and thus weave the beautiful with the useful in our country homes. We thank thee, "Daisy Eyebright," for the time it requires in floral art; and may thy little offering be everywhere appreciated, that its kindly influence may draw the family ties closer around us.

ARTESIAN WELLS AND THE STATE GEOLOGIST.

IN THE daily TRIBUNE of the 18th inst., Professor Worthen, our State Geologist, responds to a suggestion in my letter of the 13th. I was well aware that the State Geologist had given the subject of artesian wells some attention, but my object was to call attention to that is at present required. The condition of things have somewhat changed since the Geological Department of the State was organized. Its chief object was to seek for mineral treasures in our rock strata; and subsequently, as the coal-field began to develop, that also became an interesting point of investigation. Cultivation has modified the climate, and the upper veins of our water supply have failed us, and we now seek the aid of geology to help us in our new difficulty. The diamond-drill has opened a new field, and allows us to explore the hidden rocks; to learn which of the strata are *in situ*, and which were not laid down when the ages were busy in moulding this earth for the use of man. The Professor tells us, or rather speculates that the Niagara limestone, the Cincinnati shale, and the Trenton limestone have been swept from the St. Peter's sandstone, and that this sandstone was dissolved and became the water-reservoir for the flowing wells of Iroquois County. Mind, this may and may not be true, and, whether true or false, may answer all practical purposes for a water-supply but, with the diamond drill we can bore into the rock and take out the solid core for examination, instead of pounding the rock into powder, and leaving it to mere guess-work in regard to the rock formation; in short, we can reduce these speculations to facts, or prove their utter falsity. That the State Geologist has so far done his work faithfully and to the satisfaction of the public, no one will deny; but here is a new field,—a new line of investigation,—that demands his attention. The interesting rocks have been examined and described; and, now that science has opened up to us new applications for the investigation of these hidden rocks, let us avail ourselves of their use for practical purposes. Let the old moraine where the Lake Michigan glacier plowed its way down through Central Illinois be explored. If the drill struck the bed of Niagara limestone at the depth of 300 feet at Ontario, right in the region of the flowing wells, no account is to be kept of the expenditions, and may get lost before we reach Ontario.

The geology of the Valley of the Illinois River region is most remarkable; yet all of this would have been grounded in mystery and speculation had not the river cut its way through the drift to the rocks below. On the "Grand Prairie," we have no river to expose the old moraine, but we have the drill that will seek its most hidden depths, and bring to us the evidence that is the "testimony of the rocks." We all know the little reliability to be placed on the several borings that have been made, and this no one knows better than Professor Worthen. In his own city of Springfield, within sight of his geological rooms, borings were made down through the coal, seam after seam, without disclosing the presence of coal; and yet one of these seams is seven feet thick, and one of the best in the State.

If the artesian water is in the St. Peter's sandstone, let us find its true horizon at every important place in the State, at least at every county seat. These data might be connected with a topographical survey, so that every farm could have some reliable data to guide him in seeking his water supply.

If we can have unlimited supply of water from these wells, by their natural outflow or the aid of windmills, we may bid defiance to the summer drouth; or, at least, produce more than one half of a crop with more certainty and at less cost. The lessons on dry atom at Salt Lake, Denver, and Greeley, should not be lost on us, when we have flowing rivers or flowing wells. The flowing wells of Chicago will be put to the use of growing gardens, trees, and flowers, as well as for the putting out of fires and the cleaning of sewers.

SUGAR FROM THE BEET-ROOT.

In the latter part of the year 1865, when the Gennest Brothers, at Chatsworth, had put on the market their first crop of beet-root sugar, and an effort was made to form a company to manufacture the liquorice on a large scale, the writer was requested to prepare an article on the subject of the beet-root for sugar-making, to be published in one of our leading journals. The following was written, but returned as not meeting the views of the parties intended. Six years have passed; some hundreds of thousands of dollars have been expended to prove what had been already proved, and the reasons given therefor. The money lost in the experiment at Chatsworth ought to prove a valuable lesson; but it does not appear to have done so, for the same thing is being repeated in other fields,—doubtless with the same result, unless chemistry shall devise some new agent with which to free the sugar crystals of the adhering nitrates.

That the sugar beet may prove profitable in some favored localities is highly probable; but, like all other plants, it must be supplied with the proper conditions. At this time the subject is attracting attention along the foot-hills of the Rocky Mountains, where irrigation has such magic effect on garden vegetables, and especially the beet-root; but, on account of the presence of a large amount of potash in the soil, it is not probable that sugar-making will prove a success in that favored country. As I have seen no new evidence on the subject since 1865, I append the letter then written, and trust that it may be of more value than when originally penning in a pigeon-hole of my desk:

SUGAR FROM THE BEET-ROOT.

The subject of the culture of the beet-root for sugar has of late attracted a small share of attention; not only from our farmers, but many of our business men. A few days since I saw samples of raw or brown sugar in the rooms of the State Agricultural Society, from the beet-sugar works of the Gennest Brothers, of Chatsworth, and which, in appearance, compares favorably with the raw sugar of the sugar-cane.

As the subject of sugar-making from the beet-root is new to many persons, I will proceed to give such facts in regard to the subject as are within my reach, promising that these data are mainly drawn from European sources.

SELECTION AND PREPARATION OF SOIL.

In Germany and France, where the beet is largely grown for this purpose, it is usually dictated by experience, never to plant the beets in a rich garden soil, or one that had been for a long time cultivated, such as old pastures or mead-s, that contain a large amount of roots of plants in a rapid stage of decomposition. Clover, lucerne, or other large-rooted, forage-plants should not precede the sugar-beet; but it may follow a crop of wheat, barley, or oats.

A sandy, loamy, pulverulent soil, permeable to moisture, is the best,—for the beet-root delights in a moist, friable soil, charged with a fair share of plant food; still a wet, sluggish and inert clayey soil should be avoided. At the same time, the quality of the beet-root is imparted by a reflection both in saline matters. Animal manure should, therefore, not be supplied to the beet crop. The soil must be deep and mellow, and thoroughly pulverized with the harrow and roller, in order that the roots can work downward,—for in such a soil the best attains the most perfect conical shape so essential to sugar-making, as all that part of the beet that grows above the surface must be cut away before grinding, as otherwise it will injure the product. The land is usually plowed twice in the fall and once in the spring. The first plowing follows two or three days after the cutting of the grain crop, before the soil becomes dry from exposure to the sun. As soon as the seeds of weeds begin to appear above ground, the harrow is put on, and the weeds destroyed. This is repeated through the autumn. The careful preparation of the soil has a lesson that we might turn to account in all of our farming operations, for other crops than the sugar-beet, are improved by this nice preparation of the soil.

Our prairies, that present a sandy, loamy soil, would come under the designation of a good sugar-beet soil; but those mucky, black soils, containing an excess of humus, would not answer; nor yet, the stiff clays that are not underdrained, though these, by ridging, may produce good crops of wheat and large yields of corn.

We must remember that saline matter in the soil is destructive of sugar in the beet; hence the care to plant it on soils not charged with the salts or nitrates. It is no longer a matter of experiment in regard to the profit of making sugar from the beet on the continent of Europe, but has become a settled fact, and incorporated into their system of agriculture. The question that arises with us is can we succeed also? In part, we have some grave doubts, and will proceed to state the same.

Three difficulties at least appear in the way to reduce the value of the beet root for sugar on our prairie soil, in addition to the competition that it must meet with from the cane-sugar grown so near to us,—a condition of things that do not exist in France:

First—The large percentage of nitrates in our prairie soils, where the ashes of the grasses have for years been annually turned and treated by the rains, may prove the most serious obstacle in our way. At least, this may confine its culture to the sandy ridges of the lake shore, and the sandy plains and fringes of timber land along the rivers. In France it is common to grow a crop of beets in one of the redundant years upon the soil, and which is fed to stock, as it is unfitted for sugar-making. It is possible that, after a ploughing of three or four crops of beets, we might succeed in this respect; but then we meet with the

Second Objection—One of the profits resulting from the making of beet-sugar is the refuse of the roots after pressing out the juice. With us the cane has but little value, when in competition with our cheap corn, and it is questionable if this has any real value. The molasses from the cane-sugar is of the greatest value for distillation, and it can be of no great importance in competition with cheap corn, cane molasses, and sorghum. On the European continent, no small part of the profits is derived from these two products; in fact, without them the whole thing might have proved a failure.

Third—The amount of water on most of our prairie farms is not sufficient for the manufacture; and for this, if for no other reason, the roots must be handed to the village, where they may be a supply of water, fuel, and cheap labor. There we stand in the same condemned as our climate, that is liable to great and sudden changes from heat to cold, and from dry to wet. The best delights in a cool, moist climate, at least one that is maritime; but here we have a continental climate, at times, of extreme dryness, unsaturated with moisture. It will therefore be seen that, even with the best of culture, and the most favorable soil, we are liable to meet with the most scorching suns or long-continued drouths. This, more than any other one thing, is opposed to its success.

Before the war, good New Orleans sugar sold at 6 cents; and it is probable that, with more intelligent labor, better implements, and more careful supervision in a few years it will again reach that point. Taking this for a basis, we can see the bottom of the profit in beet-root sugar from the beet. Six pounds of sugar from 100 pounds of the beets may be put down as a fair average. This, at 6 cents per pound, will give 36 cents. After paying the cost of culture, transportation to the factory, manufacturing, and agent commission, the net profit will not be large under the most favorable conditions.

The sugar-cane, the Chinese, and known by farmers as the Sicilian beet; quite a different plant from the one grown for stock-feeding, and should not be confounded, as there is a vast difference in the relative quantity of the roots that each will produce.

RURAL.

NEW PUBLICATIONS.

The December Magazines—Important Announcement for 1872—Interesting Personal and Book Gossip at Home and Abroad.

The *Atlantic* for December closes the year in admirable style. Its papers, almost without exception, are fresh, entertaining, and very readable. The poetry is by Longfellow and Whittier. The former has versified a beautiful old monkish legend in his own admirable style, and the latter has written a sympathetic tribute to Chicago, which is like an oasis in the desert of rhymed rubbish which has been heaped up on the subject of our disaster. "Warrington," the able political correspondent of the Springfield (Mass.) *Republican*, has written a very terse, but graphic, sketch of General Butler's late campaign in that State, to which we see General B. has asked permission of the managers of the *Atlantic* to reply. Mr. Fiske's excellent story, "Kate de Beaumont," closes in this number; also, Mr. Field's "Whispering Gallery," which is devoted to some very pleasant reminiscences of Wordsworth and Mary Russell Mitford. Bret Harte contributes a frontier-sketch called "Princess Bob," which is very weak and flavorless, compared with others of his characteristic stories. Mr. Howell's newly-married couple get safely home again after their charming journey; and Mr. James closes his story, "Watch and Ward." Clarence King contributes another of his very able articles on Mountaineering on our Shasta; "E. H. R." a singular narrative, "A Japanese Doctor and His Work;" and John Fiske a paper on "Darwinism and Fiske." As the reader will notice, most of the serials are finished, so that the *Atlantic* for 1872 will have a clear sweep for its new and splendid promise. Dr. Holmes, in the January number, will begin a series of papers, in which he will call "The Poet at the Breakfast Table," which will form a companionpiece to the Autocrat and the Professor. There is also down for the January number, that posthumous romance of Hawthornes, discovered a few months ago among his manuscripts, and which is to be called "Septimius Felton; or, The Elixir of Life." The *Atlantic* will also contain a series of articles by James Parton, on the "Life of Thomas Jefferson," of which the first paper is now in the press. M. Moulinie is the author of the French version of Darwin's "Origin of Species of Animals and Plants under Domestication."

—Miss Francesca Rosetti's work just published in London, entitled "A Shadow of Dante," being an enlargement of her essay of Himself, His World, and His Pilgrimage," will be reprinted by Messrs. Roberts Brothers, Boston.

—Robert Paul Lake City is announced by a London publisher, entitled "Saint Abe and His Seven Wives."

—A pictorial has just been made public in Prussia, Herr von Muhler, the pious and popular Cultus Minister, sued for damages the editor of a volume of early amusing verses which he, the Minister of Worship had written, and desired to suppress. The damages awarded were a fine of only 50 thalers. As eight editions of the objectical stuff in poems had been published, the editor was tolerably well able to pay it.

—The London correspondent of the Boston *Advertiser*, writing under date of November 4, says "I am glad to say that the recent discussion respecting a copyright law between England and the United States is likely to end in something practical and decisive. Yesterday afternoon, a body of English authors met, and, after discussion, agreed to formulate their demands in a memorial which Earl Granville will probably forward to General Schenck for transmission to the Ministers and Congress. These demands do not treat of the interests of publishers at all. They only ask for a right of property for authors in the fruits of their brains. The statement was repeatedly made that the authorities in America have already expressed themselves willing to give copyright to the English author, but as they give a patent to an English inventor. We shall see if this be so. Of course, a similar advantage would be given to American authors here."

—A British despatch to the London *News* of the 10th inst. says: "The unveiling of the statue of Schiller has taken place to-day. The weather was exceedingly fine, and a very large crowd was present at the ceremony. The Emperor was also present. A monster choir took part in the proceedings. At precisely a quarter past 11 the statue was unveiled, upon a signal given by a grandson of Schiller. The people seemed to take much interest in the ceremony."

English vs. American Habits—Early Rising.

The English correspondent of the London *Nonconformist*, who is now "doing" Virginia, writes to that journal concerning the peculiar habits of John Bull and Brother Jonathan. He says:

The Southerners beat all the people I have ever known in the matter of "early to bed and early to rise." For the first time in about a quarter of a century, I have been sent to bed every night at 8 o'clock, just the time when some aristocratic Londoners are dining or preparing to dine. To make up for the outrageous proceeding of sending a civilized Englishman to roost at such an unchristian hour, the early hour, the signal for turning out was given at 5 o'clock in the morning, and breakfast followed soon after 6. I am heterodox about early rising. However, when you are in Virginia you must do as the Virginians do. I had *nolens volens*, to become a member of the early retiring and early rising association. Still I am bound to confess I was not always "up to time."

But how sweet is the consolation afforded to poor human nature by the weakness of good people. A wealthy gentleman staying at Wylliesburg when I was there—a man who has realized a large amount of money in the manufacture thereof—had to be almost pulled out of bed to get to breakfast. He was bad "wealthy and wise," and yet he said he had been always used to going to bed and getting up late. He comforted me immensely, and I felt that after all my bad English habits were perhaps not so very bad. Charles Dickens exploded the old adage, "It is the early bird that catches the worm," by showing that the worm was in fault for coming out so early.

While on this subject I may just say that many Americans have a preposterous way of lengthening business hours. Lawyers and merchants start, say at 9 o'clock in the morning, and keep on until 7 in the evening. *Cui bono?* They waste hours in the day in dawdling and gossiping, as callers come in and they call out. A London man who sticks to his business from 10 to 4 gets through far more work. But then it is so pleasant to keep one's office open from early to late, and feel "good" for so doing! Here I may say the poor despised subjects of an English monarchy would not submit to the long hours of business which is the "sovereign people of this great republic" accept as a matter of course. The Early Closing Association is needed in America, for the duration of labor exceeds all reason. I know numbers of clerks-agents who open at 8 in the morning and close at 11 at night. This system produces "smart" automatic machines, but it undermines true manhood. It accumulates dollars and destroys the higher life in man. Let the association in Ludgate Hill try to teach Brother Jonathan the error of his ways. Man shall not live by dollars alone.

BURNING OF A STEAMER.

The City of New London Entirely Destroyed by Fire—Twelve Persons Either Burned to Death or Drowned.

Norwich, Conn. (Nov. 27). Correspondence of the New York Times.

The steamer City of New London, Captain Brown, of the Norwich & New York line, took fire about 4:2 o'clock, on the river Thames, five miles below the city. The flames were first discovered issuing from one of the ventilators. The Captain was on deck and ordered the boat anchored. Efforts were immediately made to extinguish the flames, and after a short time were apparently successful. A rigid examination discovered no traces of fire. The anchor was hoisted and the boat proceeded up the river. When about three miles below the city, abreast of the mouth of Poquetanuck Cove, fire was discovered in some cotton which was on deck. The donkey-pumps were started, and the Captain and engineer, aided by the crew, in less than one minute had three streams on the fire. Despite all the exertions the fire spread with great rapidity, and soon enveloped all the forward part of the boat. The Captain, seeing all efforts to extinguish the fire was useless, ordered the boat headed, but the engineer could not start the engine. The donkey pumps were, however, still kept at work until the engineer notified the Captain that he could not control the power of boilers, in which event all would be lost. The spread of the flames had in the meantime cut off all communication with the boats, and rendered life-preservers inaccessible. The passengers and crew then threw themselves into the water, clinging to such portions of the cargo as had not been fallen overboard. Those who were able to swim had not much difficulty in reaching the shore. Some were picked up by boats from passing pieces of the cargo in an exhausted condition, and taken to farm houses in the vicinity, where they were cared for and receiving attention. Some half a dozen of the crew and passengers are still missing, and, it is feared, lost, among whom is C. B. Rogers, a well-known manufacturer of this city. When your correspondent visited the wreck he found it lying about fifty to seventy-five feet from the river-bank, with her bow down and stern still burning fiercely, with no hope of saving anything of consequence. Everything above her deck is already consumed. A train will be in readiness to be taken down from the city, but too late to be of service. The wreck has since drifted down stream, and lo leeward about a quarter of a mile below Pulpit Rock, where it has been abandoned by the crew and lies fast aground just below Poquetanuck Cove. Trains are running since hourly, and a vigilant search is making for the missing men. The City of New London was a first-class boat, and had a large cargo. The office of the Norwich & New York Transportation Company in this city is crowded with persons anxious to learn the fate of their friends among the passengers and crew, and much excitement prevails.

LATER.—The loss of life by the City of New London disaster is greater than is anticipated. There were only seven passengers, two of them Wm. A. Morton, of the firm of Morton Brothers; C. B. Rogers, of the firm of A. B. Rogers & Co., and Harrison R. Allen, Esq., of Norwich. Of the officers and deck hands known to be lost are Wm. P. Ely, of Hamburg, Conn., second mate; M. W. Baker, of Norwich, engineer; Henry Degan, New London, steward; Webster Cooper, second cook; Frank Flowers, name unknown, waiter; Warren Mitchell, oiler; Patrick Mahoney, Patrick Mahony, and Thomas Rourke, deck hands. The New London had on board a cargo of heavy freight, principally cotton, rags, grass, leather, hides, &c., together with its mail, the boat is a total loss. On account of the absence of the agent, the manager of the line from the city, it is impossible to ascertain the insurances. It is understood the boat is insured for $100,000. The fire-extinguishing apparatus on board the steamer were ample and in perfect order, but the rapid spread of the flames cut off application. The saloon and saloon where the life-preservers were. The passengers and crew had to save themselves by grasping such floating matter as fell overboard from the burning boat. A large force of men and boys have been at the scene of the disaster all day, and a vigilant search for bodies of missing passengers and crew have been instituted, but only succeeded in finding the bodies of two men—deck hands—which were brought to this city and taken possession of by the coroner, who impaneled a jury, which, after viewing the bodies, adjourned until to-morrow. The officers of the boat, particularly the Captain and engineer, received great praise for the coolness displayed in their trying position, the former escaping by lowering himself from the paddle-box by a heaving line, when all avenues of escape were cut off, and clinging to the wheel for some

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THE TAXES ON CLOTHING.

The *Pittsburg Gazette* refuses to understand how the tariff on foreign cloths can be a tax on the clothing of the people, if they use goods of American manufacture. Commenting upon a paragraph in this paper, the *Gazette* says:

> In the first place the statement is erroneous. Forty millions of people in this country are not taxed on their clothing, by the tariff, for this would empower every man, woman and child in the United States, and surely THE TRIBUNE would not maintain that all of these wear imported French broadcloth and fancy silks.

The same paper further insists that, the tax being confined to goods of foreign manufacture, those who have to pay it, do so "from choice, and in the face of the fact that goods of domestic manufacture are to be had for far less money, and of styles far more suitable to our republican notions of simplicity and propriety in dress. The tariff, therefore on imported clothing, such as fine cloths, poplins and silks, is a tax on unnecessary luxuries; luxuries which the great mass of our population do not indulge in, and none of whom are compelled to indulge in."

If the tax on foreign goods does not increase the cost to consumers of the American-made goods, how is their manufacture benefited, or promoted, or "protected" by the tariff? Is not the direct purpose of a protective duty to so increase the cost of the foreign article, that the home product may command a higher price? The prices at which domestic cloths are sold are limited only by those at which the imported article can be sold for in this country. Why is there a tax on imported glass, if it be not to enable the manufacturers to demand more for it than they could obtain without the tax? Is not that the beginning and end of protection,—the taxation of the many for the profit of the few? But a few facts will show practically how this tax on the foreign-made goods operates on the consumers of goods "suitable to our republican notions of simplicity and propriety in dress." We give the cost in Europe of a variety of articles, the rate of tax imposed by the tariff, and the wholesale prices at which they and American goods of corresponding value and material sell for in New York:

Goods.	Cost.	Tax, per cent.	Wholesale price in currency.
Alpaca, per yard	17 1-2	60 1-2	9 45
Balmoral, per yard	40	85	1.25
Linsey, per yard	40	85	1.25
Suit of Scotch tweed clothing	15.00	80	40.00
Cotton cloth, per yd	25	45	34
Cotton prints, per yd	10	85	20
Spool cotton, per doz	30	75	75
Poplins, per yard	40	85	1.25
French merino, p. yd	87	54	1.25
Delaines, per yard	19	82	45
Cashmere cloth, p yd	25	82 1-2	1.12
Druggets, per sq. yd	30	108	70

This list may be extended indefinitely to include everything worn by the American people, or used in any way by them. Everything clattering into the wearing apparel of men, women and children—every thing "suitable to our republican notions of simplicity"—is taxed in the same proportion. It is immaterial whether the goods be imported or produced at home, the price to the consumer includes the same tax, and the taxes are generally highest on coarse fabrics, worn by the poorer classes.

The workmen of Pittsburgh, pay in addition to the real cost of their clothing and bedding, from 40 to 80 per cent tax, and that tax, then do they may never purchase an article of foreign manufacture. It is to compel them to pay this tax, to extort from them this bounty for private individuals, that the present tariff was constructed, and is so desperately maintained.

POOR NORTH CAROLINA

The State of North Carolina could hardly be in a worse predicament, financially, if she had invested all her cash and credit in taking fire risks in Chicago previous to our late conflagration. In fact, the time-honored maxim of Franklin, that "Three removes are as bad as one fire," might be properly varied to suit the case of the Carolinas and other Southern States, and read, Three carpet-bag Legislatures are equivalent to a general conflagration. Governor Caldwell, in his annual message to the North Carolina Legislature, delivered on the 20th instant, embodies a statement of the State finances which shows them to be in a most deplorable condition, utterly beyond remedy, except by compromise with the creditors. First there are $10,000,000 of ante-war debt (including interest) and $3,500,000 of Internal Improvement bonds issued since the war, under laws passed before '61; then there are $5,000,000 of bonds issued to fund accrued interest; $1,500,000 of bonds issued during the war for "internal improvements"; another $1,500,000 in bonds to two railroad companies, under the ordinance of the convention of 1868; $12,000,000 issued to other railroads (and of which the "Western Division of the Western North Carolina Railroad Company" got six millions and a half under subsequent legislative acts; and, finally, $300,000 more of bonds issued still more recently. These last have, however, been pronounced invalid by the Supreme Court, on account of the unconstitutionality of the act under which they were issued—in all $34,887,464.45.

Of this vast sum of outstanding obligations only the ante-war bonds were sold at par. Their validity, and that of the funding bonds ($5,000,000), is undoubted; the others were sold at prices ranging from 40 to 60 cents on the dollar—whatever their forced sale would bring to the railroad speculators or embezzling agents into whose hands they fell. No railroads were built with them, as a general rule, and the only interest-paying securities which the State has to show for the whole $15,000,000 of them is some $300,000 of the stock of the North Carolina Railroad Company, one of the ante-war corporations. Many of the large flock of railroad bonds were issued in defiance of an act of the General Assembly ordering the return of the bonds, and giving notice to the world that future sales would be invalid. Still others were issued without the certificate required by law.

Confronting such a disgraceful and hopeless state of the public finances, Governor Caldwell inquires "What is to be done?" He finds the total property valuation of the State to be, according to the Auditor General's report, only $121,000,000, or only three times the amount of the public debt. In view of this, and the general depression and dissatisfaction which prevails, the Governor does not deem it practicable to enforce the tax requisite to pay even the annual interest upon the debt, much less discharge any part of the principal. He therefore recommends a compromise with creditors on such terms as may be obtained, and a sale of all the stocks of which the State now has possession, for the purpose of realizing as much ready money as possible, aside from that raised by taxation. Several plans of compromise are suggested, that which the Governor seems to favor most being a funding of all the valid outstanding bonds in 3 per cent bonds, dollar for dollar. It is a bad scrape at best, and the outlook is dismal, either for the taxpayers or the [illegible] creditors. It seems to be well established, by the sore experience of the Carolinas, that wholesale robbery and swindling of the kind which has produced this state of affairs are not, as a rule, wholesome; and it is a great pity that, if the Federal Government is as completely the guardian and censor of the local governments as recent acts of Congress and the Executive would seem to indicate, it cannot interfere with a Carpet-Bag act to punish rogues in State Legislatures and bureaus, as it does with the Ku-Klux act, to scourge rogues in the bush.

A short time since, the firm of Tweed, Sweeper, Connolly & Murphy were engaged in a large real estate speculation in New York city. All the members of the firm have now resigned public office except Tweed. Murphy was the only one who is dismissed with a "*character*." The rest are turned adrift on a cold world with not more than three millions of dollars apiece, and not even a certificate of good morals to commence life with.

ASSAULTS UPON ROYALTY.

The Prince of Wales is not, we hope, going to die of his fever, and the Queen is not about to go distracted in consequence, and the nation be plunged in revolution, as the New York stockbrokers have been figuring out in their programmes. Nevertheless, it must be admitted that the movement for a republic in England is gaining in boldness and intensity, if not in the numbers of its adherents. Of this movement Sir Charles Dilke, M. P., is probably the most respectable representative. Mr. Dilke has recently made two speeches in denunciation of monarchy, and openly favoring a republican form of government. At the latter of these, we have heard by telegraph, there were serious disturbances of the peace; the police being overborne by the populace. This speech having been given at an out-of-door meeting, we can understand why there was a row raised over it, for Dilke's talk is highly inflammatory and revolutionary. He proposes, in what is called his "great speech" at Newcastle, to abolish royalty as a useless expense; and he alleges that the expenditures, a great portion of them, are not only waste, but mischief; the supernumerary officers, troops, etc., upon which they are bestowed, serving to weaken the government and army, rather than strengthen them.

Mr. Dilke is especially severe upon the household expenses of royalty. He computes them at £131,000 sterling per annum, and enumerates a portion of the Queen's pensioners to her friends in and about the royal kitchen. The list includes three physicians in ordinary, three physicians extraordinary, one sergeant-surgeon extraordinary, two sergeant-surgeons, three surgeons extraordinary, one physician of the household, one surgeon of the household, one surgeon-apothecary, two chemists of the establishment in ordinary, one surgeon-oculist, one surgeon dentist, one dentist in ordinary, and one other physician—or twenty-one in all; while the Prince of Wales has for his special benefit three honorary physicians, two physicians in ordinary, two surgeons in ordinary, one surgeon extraordinary, one chemist in ordinary, making thirty-two physicians of very high rank to attend to the symptoms of one family. In view of this awful array of medical talent, it is not, perhaps, to be wondered at that Victoria is generally ill, and the Prince of Wales in a chronic state of health. And if, as many wise men would tell us, the royal cook is more essential to the royal health than the royal physician, there should be no need of doctors at all, unless, indeed, under the effect of the law that "too many cooks spoil the broth;" for, entering the royal kitchen (especially on quarter-day) we find a chief cook and four master cooks, flanked by an imposing army of pensioners belonging to the "Green Office," the "Ewer Department," the "Confectionery Department," the "Table Dietary Department," etc., bringing up the rear of the procession which had been headed by such functionaries as the Lord High Almoner, Master of the Buckhounds, Clerk of the Closet, Extra in Waiting, Lord High Falconer, etc., belonging to the household list, but not, perhaps, mustered in the kitchen, are a host of such officials as the Grooms of the Robes, Lords in Waiting, Gentlemen Ushers, Chief Equerries, Marshals, *et id genus omne*, and professional pensioners, like "Historical Painters to the Queen," "Lithographers to the Queen," etc., almost without number. There are, besides the policemen, royal carriages, etc., all of which the government keeps paying for, though royalty uses them but little, and quite a fleet of royal yachts, whereon officials are so plenty that one able-bodied man is kept under pay the year round with the sole duty of painting the lion and unicorn on the fire-buckets.

The sum total of the direct expenses of royalty is computed by Mr. Dilke, after, as he says, very careful investigation, at one million pounds sterling per annum. On no portion of this does the Queen pay any taxes, though a large portion of it is clear income. The speaker cites the promise of Sir Robert Peel, in 1842, when asking, on behalf of Victoria, the levy of an income tax, he declared that Her Majesty, "prompted by those feelings of deep and affectionate interest in the welfare of her people which she had ever manifested, stated to him that if " Parliament should " " subject all incomes to a certain charge, it was her determination that her own income should be subjected to a similar burden." This insinuation of bad faith cannot but have the effect to prejudice the mind of the sturdy Briton against this sovereign now in power,—a feeling which can easily be made to tell against royalty in general.

Finally, after showing how offensive royalty is, Mr. Dilke harangues his auditors to show them that it is cumbersome in administration and entirely personal in authority. He concludes (and we quote the notes expressive of the audience's feeling also):

> I confess freely that I doubt whether, if the charges for relief at this time sufficed to have founded, the monarchy should not act its house in order. [Loud applause.] There is a widespread belief that there are only a million of pounds of education and that. (Great cheering.) It is said that some day a commonwealth will be our government. We have plainly and experience shows that you cannot have a republic without you possess it the same time the republican virtues (Yes) is the answer: Have we not public spirit? Have we not the practice of self-government? Are we not continually governed from it? I explain. I say that if you can show me a fair chance that a republic here will be more honestly supported than the monarchy, I say for my part—and I believe the middle classes in general will be—let it be established.

In short, Sir Charles expressed his contempt of the monarchy in almost every way, except to renounce his own title of knighthood, which, having been bestowed on his father by Queen Victoria, stamps its possessors as, in some sense, creatures of not merely the same institution, but the same individual sovereign that he lashes so severely with his oratory. Notwithstanding the apparent inconsistency of this omission, Sir Charles seems to have the favorable ear of a large proportion of the people and press. The Thunderer gives leader after leader to refuting his arguments; the *Pall Mall Gazette* makes them the occasion of an appeal, in behalf of London society, for a regency under the Prince of Wales; the other dailies are talking almost constantly about the "proposed republic" (the most of them in opposition, it is true), and so the agitation goes on. The next revolutionary demonstration of any moment is to be made at Birmingham on the 6th of December, when a sort of congress is called to consider these propositions:

1. That the hereditary principle in legislation is unwise, since it neither insures wisdom in the individual nor patriotism in the body; and is unjust, since it confers upon a class powers which ought to be exercised only by representatives of the nation.

2. That in a free country the ultimate decision upon all questions of government or of the policy of the State, must rest with representatives elected by the majority of the people; and that some plan should be adopted in this nation to give constitutional effect to that decision.

3. That no right to legislate on the affairs of the nation ought to be conferred in consequence of the profession of any theological opinions, or of connection with any ecclesiastical establishment, and therefore the legislative power of the Bishops of the Anglican Church should be abolished.

4. That a committee be appointed to consider by what means the foregoing resolutions may be carried into effect.

The parties which are interested in the movement for reform or revolution are really as numerous as the sects of Dissenters from England's Established Church; which is to most at Birmingham as designated as "the [illegible] ing of the radical and liberal party."

The Judiciary Committee of one branch of the Legislature has reported a bill providing that an agreement of three-fourths of a jury shall be sufficient for a verdict in all civil cases. This is a commendable reform. The reasons which have made unanimity of jurors essential in criminal cases do not apply to civil cases. The interposition of a jury in civil cases is merely to determine facts, to balance accounts, to examine claims, and to report the facts, to which the Court applies the law. In the trial of cases where the court consists of several Judges, unanimity either in the declaration of the law, or on questions of the admissibility of evidence is not required. Why should the jury in the trial of a civil case be required to be unanimous in the determination of mere facts? In a large majority of civil cases the interposition of a jury is wholly unnecessary for the ends of justice, though required by the forms of law. There is no practical end that might not be as well served by a jury of five or six persons as by a jury of twelve. To require a unanimous verdict in such case, places it in the power of any one man improperly selected, or acting corruptly, to defeat the ends of justice, subject all parties to immense costs, and waste the time of the courts. Another bill has also been reported for the purpose of changing the mode of selecting persons, ridding the administration of justice of the abominable abuses of the present jury system. It is to be hoped that both measures may be passed.

The Hon. Horace Greeley publishes a mild request that he be allowed to have his own opinions on the question of the next Presidential nomination, and to utter them from time to time without being accused of treason, arson, or bigamy. The request seems to be a reasonable one. We hope the New York *Times* will allow Mr. Greeley to express his opinions in his own paper on this subject without bringing him before the grand jury for it.

It is unfortunate for Mr. Greeley's influence in deciding the question at issue that he has allowed his own name to be used as a candidate for this important office. That he has a right to be a candidate—that anybody has a right to support him—that he has a right even to run "independent," and that several millions if independent American citizens have the right to vote for him—are all propositions too plain to be disputed. But his arguments against the renomination of President Grant would have more force in this censorious world if he were not himself in the attitude of a candidate. There are many things to be said in opposition to the renomination of President Grant, and nobody could say them with more distinctness than Mr. Greeley if he were not fettered by his own candidacy. If all the men in the Republican party who think that the renomination of President Grant would be unwise and prejudicial to the best interests of the party and of the country, would say so at the same time, he would not be renominated. But if they were, or if the people suspected that they were, moved by the desire to get the nomination themselves, the simultaneous utterance of their misgivings would produce very little effect.

The second session of the Forty-second Congress will start out with a fair capital in the way of bills and other business, left over from the short session of last spring. During that session, of three weeks duration, there were introduced and referred to committees not yet appointed, no less than eight hundred bills, joint resolutions, etc. The calendar included three constitutional amendments, and bills for the admission of Colorado and New Mexico, and for the creation of the Territories of Pembina and Oklahoma. The file is richest, however, in land-grabbing bills, which fared rather hardly in the last session of the previous Congress, but which "come up smiling" at the very first moment of the Forty-second. It is intimated that a new plan for obtaining land grants has been devised, which will be incorporated in most of the bills referred to, and will be relied upon to carry through many of them which were otherwise sure to fail. It is thus stated:

> It is understood this plan proposes that the proceeds of a certain number of acres shall be given to any projected railroad that may be before Congress for aid; but, instead of giving the corporation lands directly, notice is to be allowed to go on as under the pre-emption law. As each twenty miles of road is completed and formally accepted, the United States Land Office for that district is to give public notification thereof to settlers, who are then to have two or three months' time to pay for their land, the price being that charged for forest-tract lands—$2.50 an acre. This process is to be repeated until the road is completed, and the company is to be allowed to raise on mortgages upon other lands.

This plan has for its chief merit the fact that it is not quite so objectionable as a worse one would be—that, for instance, under which the public domain has been so scandalously wasted within the past six or seven years. But it will not get through Congress.

The American Insurance Company of Chicago has been published two or three times in the list of suspended or insolvent companies. This company had very few risks in Chicago, its policies being confined to detached dwelling houses, barns, farm property, churches, and school houses. Its losses by the Chicago fire were less than $1,000. It has not suspended or ceased transacting business for a single day.

RAILROADS.

It is reported that the La Fayette & Bloomington Railroad has completed the track, the junction with the Gilman, Clinton & Springfield Road.

—The Lake Superior & Mississippi Railway transported from April 1 to Nov. 1 1,38,829 barrels of flour, equivalent to 35,6,66 bushels of wheat; 1,,3,000 bushels of barley; 43,76 tons of general merchandise; 25,770 tons of timber; 9,766 tons of coal.

—The work of track laying on the Sheboygan & Fond du Lac Railway has commenced. Iron is laid on the bridge and other crossings.

—The Evansville *Review* says: "The surveying party sent out by the city of Janesville to look over the route for the proposed railroad from Janesville to Evansville, came through the entire line lately, and pronounced it feasible in every respect. After leaving the valley of Turtle and Rock River the grade will be easy the whole distance, and one of the cheapest roads to build, considering the distance, in the country."

—The Oshkosh *Northwestern* says: "At 5 o'clock this afternoon, November 1st, the last rails were laid on the Oshkosh & Mississippi Railroad to the engine house, on the south bank of Fox River, connecting Oshkosh and Milwaukee. Thus, after years of labor, and apparently hopeless effort, the great work is accomplished."

—The Minneapolis *Tribune* of the 23d says: "Mr. Albert Lawrence, of the firm of Lawrence & Eustice, the contractors having in charge twenty miles of the grade of the Northern Pacific, west of Red River, arrived in this city on Tuesday evening last. The men and teams employed on the work were withdrawn on Friday last, and all work on the Dakota section discontinued for the winter. On Friday there was a heavy storm in that region, snow falling to the depth of fourteen inches. It was reported at Moorhead that several persons had been lost in the storm, but the rumor could not be traced to any reliable source.

—Report has it that the recent extensive purchases and leases of railroads in the Southern States, which are supposed to be based on friendly parties connected with the Pennsylvania Company, have turned out to be the work of an independent organization, controlled by Baltimore capital. Among the parties concerned in the enterprise are W. I. Walters, Alexander Brown & Sons, General O'Donnel, Messrs. Thomas C. Jenkins, Horace Abbott, Thomas Kensett, George Bartlett, and B. F. Newcomber, of Baltimore; M. K. Jesup & Co., D. Willis Jones, and Roosevelt & Son, of New York; Drexel & Co., P. A. & S. Sewall, and Whitney & Sons, of Pennsylvania, and D. James, of Liverpool. Over $7,000,000 have already been expended in actual cash, and up to the present time, by the purchase of stock and controlling majority in a number of the most important lines of railroads, comprising in all 1,425 miles have been secured. Besides this, control has been obtained under a lease of 362 miles additional. The new company now controls both the main lines south from Richmond, the North Carolina roads, the chief roads of South Carolina, two main roads in Georgia, and the important lines of East Tennessee.

PERSONAL.

Ex-Congressman E. K. Smart, of Camden, Maine, has been pronounced hopelessly insane by the Superintendent of the asylum at Augusta, and has been removed to his home.

—All Boston was in a flutter over the debut of Charlotte Cushman as "Lady Macbeth," now enacting at the Globe, is declared to be, if possible, better than her "Queen Catherine."

—A letter from Rome contains a story of a remarkably bulky paper having been sent to the Vatican—no one knew by whom—accompanied by a request that it should be placed in the Pope's private chapel, and lit during his mass. The request was complied with, and the Pope, seeing it burning in a corner of the chapel, ordered it to be immediately extinguished. It was opened after mass in his presence, and found to contain a small Orsini shell.

—The Bangor, Maine, *Whig* says that a musical soirée was given at Carr's Hall, Augusta, played at a ball at Kendall's Mills last Monday evening, and after the ball retired to rest as usual, but was restless and unable to sleep, and a sensation of dread of something wrong took hold of his mind. He strove to shake it off and courted sleep in vain. So strong did the uneasiness become, that he at length arose and took the first train for Augusta and immediately went to his home, where he found his wife and little son of four years of age, both nearly suffocated from coal gas. It was a long time before they could be revived. Had he been absent an hour longer they would doubt-less have both been dead.

—The inhabitants of Penzance, Cornwall, the birthplace of Sir Humphrey Davy, have decided to erect a statue to his memory. It will be executed after the portrait of Davy by Sir Thomas Lawrence, and will cost £90,000.

—An ex-Colonel of a French regiment of cuirassiers is now cook of a hotel at Brussels. He has married a daughter of a mechanic in that city and resigned his commission in the French army.

—Sir William Jenner writes to the *British Medical Journal*: "A statement having been widely circulated to the effect that the Queen's recent illness was the result of revaccination, I trust you will, by inserting this letter, permit me to give the most unqualified contradiction to the report. There is not a shadow of foundation for it in facts. Her Majesty's recent illness did not commence until many months after the revaccination. There was no connection, direct or indirect, between the two. I should not have contradicted so foundationless a statement had I not heard that, in consequence of the positive terms in which the assertion is made, it has received a certain amount of credence, and is so causing harm to the public health."

—In the November number of the *American Journal of Science*, Dr. B. T. Craig, of Washington, gives an account of experiments made on the temperature of his body during the intense and confined heat of the summer of 1870. The ordinary temperature of the human body is 98.4 degrees Fahrenheit, and during fever it often rises six degrees above this point without a sense of increased heat proportioned to the disturbance of temperature. The highest temperature to which the Doctor could heat himself during that memorable summer (forty-nine mate man) was 99.7 degrees Fahrenheit. "At this temperature," he says, "I felt quite unpleasantly overheated. * * * When the temperature of my body was below 99 degrees I never felt unpleasantly hot. In fact, I satisfied myself by repeated trials that a temperature of 99.2 degrees must be reached before the sensation of suffering from heat comes on."

MISCELLANEOUS.

Russia, it is stated, is the only power of Western Europe in which the International Society cannot find a favorable field for its operations. The reason given is that there is always a demand for labor in that country, and the workingmen, as a general rule, are well paid.

—"Tincture of anarchy" is a Norwich surgeon's panacea for bruises.

—Alarm bells of a new style have recently been attached to thirty-four locomotives of a railroad company in Michigan. The bells placed in readiness in front, and so attached that at each revolution of the driving-wheels it is struck once by a hammer. It is claimed that the position of the bell causes the sound to be thrown forward and conducted by the earth and railroad track so that it can be heard a considerable distance ahead of the train.

—In one of the statistical reports on morals presented to the English Parliament some time since, some very interesting facts concerning drunkenness in Scotland are given. It appears that in one single parish of Edinburgh, in which there are 20,000 people, 1,363 were found dead drunk, and 3,035 crazy drunk in a year. Drunkenness is more common in Edinburgh in summer than in winter. Saturday is the favorite day, and Tuesday ranks next, for debauchery. Nothing is more common than to find a man who has been in prison twenty or thirty times for drunkenness.

—Thirty-seven persons rode at one time in a car drawn by one horse, to attend a concert in aid of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, in Salem, Mass., last week.

—An interesting question has been raised by the arrest of several citizens of Everett and Melrose, Mass., for larceny of seaweed from the premises of a dweller on the beach. The latter claims that his land runs to low water mark, while the defendants hold that the weed comes from the great sea, in which all own a share, and that they have gathered it for a long time unmolested.

—This is what they call a "joke" in New Orleans. A country-looking chap gets on a train. A stranger steps up to him and says: "Ah! five feet nine high, two feet eleven across the breast, eighteen inches through." "What do you mean, sir?" eagerly asks the countryman. "It's all right," says the other. "You measure five feet eleven by eighteen. I'll be ready for you by nine o'clock to-morrow morning," and he puts up the tape line with which he has been making the measurements. "What are you driving at, sir?" asks the countryman, angrily. "Why, you see," says the other, "the police will be killing off strangers so fast that I have to take their measurement as they come in, or else the dead bodies accumulate on my hands." A policeman comes over the countryman's face, a frantic call is made to the baggage-master to re-check his trunk, and he leaves for home.

—An American—of course it is an American—has started a ferry boat on the Sea of Galilee, and the steam-whistle and engine-gong are henceforth to do violence to its echoes.

—M. Devergie, a French chemist, finds that water containing only one-four-thousandth of its weight of carbolic acid sufficed for the disinfection of the "dead-house" in Paris during the hottest weather, when it contained six or seven bodies.

—Among the feats of a lightning-saw, on exhibition at the American Institute Fair, in New York, the following is mentioned: A lubestmut log, nine inches in diameter, was sawed off by two men in three-quarter seconds, by three and a half strokes of the saw. It was then sawed across in ten times in two minutes and sixteen seconds, or faster than a cord in nine minutes, including lost time.

—Another link in Mr. Darwin's chain of evidence is regarded as supplied by the report that during the recent epidemic of yellow fever in Rio all the monkeys there were as prone to take the disease as were the human residents. Other animals were exempt from contagion.

Fire-Proof Buildings.

To the Editor of The Chicago Tribune:

SIR: Though disinclined to enter into any public discussion, the great interests depending upon the question of how best to make our buildings practically fire-proof, induce me to write you a few lines on the subject:

Several times since the fire, and again in your issue of last Sunday, you have referred to my fire-proof building on the corner of LaSalle and Monroe streets as having escaped only because it was unfinished. While I am willing to admit that its escape was owing to the absence in it of any great quantity of combustible material, it may be well to state that its being unfinished was not the sole cause of this. The only additional work to be made to it was the gas-fixtures, were of doors, windows, and marble floors—the place of these latter being now temporarily supplied with wood. The solid brick frame in the building were generally destroyed, while in some of the rooms were piles of lumber, consisting of wooden arches (that had been used in constructing the arched brick ceilings), ladders, sash, doors, and even in one single parcel of Minwax

WASHINGTON.

Appointments and Removals--Democratic Egotists.

The Poet Halpine on Peter B. Sweeney.

Wash. McLean Retires --- On Printing Presses.

Grant's Chances for the Session.

[From Our Own Correspondent.]
WASHINGTON, Nov. 21.

NOTES.

The appointment of Francis A. Walker to the head of the Indian Bureau is a tribute to a young man who has distinguished himself by personal character, knowledge based upon principles, humanity as distinguished from sentiment, and energy practiced without going offence.

Thomas Murphy has been undone as Collector, although the President accepting his resignation for political considerations says enough for the man to warrant him refusing it. This resignation is equivalent to a dismissal, and the point which public opinion made against Murphy--the only point warranting dismissal--the President overrules. Why? Because the President's judgment is of no consequence, in his estimation, compared to his re-election; so he throws his friend to the mob. Affirming the verdict, we continue to walk around this sort of President! Of Murphy it may be said, in the oft-quoted eulogy on Woolsey:

"He was a man
Of an unbounded stomach, even ranker
Himself than Princes; one that by suggestion
Tyed all the kindoms; simony was fair play."

Thomas Murphy was never fit to associate with a President, or to take the best office in the gift of the Executive; but he was a powerful influence in carrying New York by a fortnight ago against Tammany, being well acquainted with their tactics. His successor is probably a tool of himself.

The only point of gratitude to Frank Blair for his successful efforts to break up the Democratic party. His opinion on "Ex-Kinxism, just expressed: his advice to the Southern people not to "accept" amendments which they have no option about; his readiness to accept any Democratic nomination before he can do that party harm by appearing to serve it--all these things show that Frank Blair is a friend of that freedom that many years ago, and that he is playing the role of Mephistophiles to the Democracy, showing it where to damn itself most utterly. This is very sly, but merry in American politics. It is practical Machiavellism. With Frank Blair, Eugene Casserly, and Tom Bayard still aboard, the old Democratic hulk is always foundering, but never quite goes down. They keep it up to protect the Administration.

Dan. Voorhees, also, is chagrined to see the tide turning against him. He wants the Democratic party to take his life for a platform--much rant and no verdict; a great deal of Dan and certain Bourbons.

SWEENY DISCOVERED BY GREELEY.

It has taken the New York *Tribune* several months to discover that Peter B. Sweeney is a thief. Thievery would never have had a chance in New York but for this man, who bore the relation to Tweed and Connolly that Father Fagin did to Bill Sykes and the Artful Dodger. Sweeney was unquestionably the worst thief in the set, because his fair legal knowledge, and experience with sinuate legislation, qualified him to discover how felonies might be done within the rules of the law, or how the law might be amended so as to make fraud easy. From 1865 to 1867, I published a newspaper in New York City, and associated with a man who started this whole fight which has so entirely revolutionized civic politics, and given the death-blow to the hopes of the Democratic national party. Although the sod now covers his grave, and although he was a man with the frailty of an Irish poet and politician, yet, with that keen perception that one Irishman has of another, he always insisted to me that Peter B. Sweeney was the worst man he had ever known. I possess at present a copy of Charnhill's poems, on the fly-leaf of which Halpine wrote in lead-pencil some references. It was his own copy of Churchill, whom he admired as a satirist upon the political follies of a certain time; and, having to write a great deal himself of the same sort, he brought into use this long-forgotten model. "The only man," he said, "Roscius Sweeney, 24." After his death I turned to page 24, and found the following description, also marked, which can be readily recognized as that of the present exposed and infamous Peter B. Sweeney:

"With that smooth falsehood whose appearance charms,
And reason of each wholesome doubt disarms,
Which to the lowest depths of guile descends,
By vilest means pursues the vilest ends,
Hears friendship's mask for purpose of spite,
Fawns in the day and butchers in the night;
With frail malignant envy which turns pale
And sickens even if the friend prevail,
Which merit and success pursues with hate,
And damns the worth it cannot imitate;
With the cold caution of a coward's spleen,
Which fears not guilt, but always seeks a screen,
Which keeps that end in view it must pursue,
What's basely done should be safely done too;
With that dull, rooted, callous impudence
Which, fenced to shame and every nicer sense,
Ne'er blushes but, in spreading vice's snares,
She blunders on some virtue unawares;
With all these blessings which so seldom find
Lavished by Nature on one happy mind,
A motley figure of the fickle tribe,
Perhaps I can scarce conceive or pen describe."

HALPINE ON CIVIC RINGS.

With a copy of Halpine's poems before me, I find plenty of material pertinent to his time in New York civic politics. That nobody else has thought to recollect this man's memory and do him justice, I mourn over. Here are a few gleanings from his different poems:

"For Sweeney, of the black moustache,
And Hennessy, of the brown,
And Tweed, with no moustache at all,
Now claim to own the town.
But we mean to be win the battle,
For among us here are seen
The Germans and the native-born,
And the boys who wear the green."

How like a ballad of the present reads this imitation of Byron:

"The mobs came down like a wolf on the fold,
And their noses were purple, their shirt-studs were gold.

In political life every man strove to shine,
And the liquor they quaffed was Verzanay wine;
But St. Tammany's trumpet aroused a great host,
And the spirit of manhood rebelled at their boast."

Mere toad-stools of lucre, the growth of a night,
These toad-stools have wilted beneath the dawn's light.

At the risk of growing weary I quote also an epitaph written in 1868, which, had it been written in 1871, would have been truer and less remarkable:

"Here lyeth--the world's wonder
Of folly and weakness;
Rot, whipped into meekness,
They cursed and went under.
Their Verzenay bubbled,
Their poor brains grew muddled
Their pamphlet a fizzle,
Their ballets a mizzle,
Their ring a delusion,
Their plans all confusion;
No friends to abet them,
No friends to regret them,
Neglected and scouted,
Discarded and flouted;
With golden pretensions
Of "Gilmore dimensions,
A headache and sickness--
Oh! blame not the quickness."

With which they expire, etc.

Here is another stranza in the song to St. Tammany:

"We tell these men who brag of gold,
That, though their gains were piled
Higher than the highest pyramid
Of which the sun hath smiled,
The y is not one of us would shake
Their flippant hands to see
The separate stock--plunder
Of their boast and of their sin."

Halpine entered into New York city politics before the leadership of a comparatively obscure old man--John Y. Savage, a native of North Carolina, who always entertained the invincible repugnance to the Irish allies of his party; and he had the notion that, if he could find a man of genius to attack the Tammany Ring, continuously, it could be broken up. Halpine had the wayward character of Irish poets and soldiers, and what might be called impulses of principle; but old John kept him in gear, curbed and bridled him for every new encounter, supplied him with facts and theories on which to work, and brought to his assistance men like the Judges Barrett--uncle and nephew--Robert H. Roosevelt, John Foley, and that class of people who have been prominent in these continuing contiuuances of Halpine's labor. To-day Savage is merely a clerk in the office of the Register of New York, poor, bankrupt, misrepresentations, but he held out to the end. Halpine died early; and the Democratic Reform party was personally organized by him in 1867-1868. When Franz Sigel succeeds to the office of Register, he ought to recognize in his plain and quaint old gentleman, the first man who had the will and the experience to believe that Tammany could be defeated low, and to show how to do it. No constellation, but a clear, determined man, without the qualities of genius, but with a deep perception of it. Savage may be honored as as the father of the war against Tammany; and he stands toward the campaigns of the recent revolution, among those who knew him, in the position that Hamilton bore to Hamilton.

HOW SCOTT FOOLS PRESIDENT.

The Cincinnati *Enquirer*, a paper lately bought by a kind, sympathetic man, for which I have personal regard, has been making out the name of Thomas Scott, of Pennsylvania, as the next Democratic candidate for the Presidency. The only availability which I can see in Tom Scott to the Democratic party is, that he can be plucked by the Democratic politicians, very much as Ava Packer was run by the Democrats of Pennsylvania, once that he could give them all a nugget of his wealth. What does a man want to be President for, who is already master of transportation of the United States, jointly with Cornelius Vanderbilt? If the Democratic party is to take the advice of some of its organs, it may have the comfortable recreation of casting certain ineffective votes for the sake of its editors, who can put up almost any rich man and live awhile upon him. There is no more chance of Tom Scott, with his power, becoming President of the republic, than of Miss Burdett-Coutts succeeding Victoria on the English throne.

JONES ON THE WALTER PRESS.

I met Mr. George Jones, at the Union League Club, in New York, a week ago; and, when we were speaking of the reconstructed press of The Chicago Tribune, which had to be sent from Chicago to New York to be mended, and then expressed back to Chicago, sixteen hundred miles in all, I said:

"Mr. Jones, it is a great waste of machinery and inventiveness to see a press composed of so many thousand pieces that only one shop in the country can fix it. Must the newspapers be always to go to such a frightful monopoly as that of Colonel Hoe?"

"Well," he replied, "there is an English press, now used by the *London Times*, which I want my boys to look at several months ago. It is called the Walter press. He took up his abode in London, and watched it work, night after night. It satisfies the English, and is of simple construction--printing one side, and then returning to print the other; but we found that it would not print both sides true, and, by a lateral motion, made a blur almost every time, so that we could not employ it."

I could not help thinking at the time how this relative experience showed the superior mechanical considerations of the American newspapers over the English; what the London *Times* found good enough, the New York *Times* was obliged to discard to satisfy the more fastidious reading public here in America.

BUNDY ON THEC OMMITTEE OF SEVENTY.

At the same club, Major Bundy gave me an interesting account--too long to print with your present resources--of the inside operations of the Committee of Seventy, created by the citizens against Tammany. When the first meeting of this spontaneous committee was called, the large proportion of fifty-six members appeared. Sometimes it was even greater than this; and, for weeks of nights, these devoted private citizens sat in session, sometimes from 8 o'clock p. m. until 2 in the morning, hearing evidence of every description, preparing for that mighty campaign which annihilated even the electioneering system of Tweed and Sweeney. Each one member of the committee proved to be a traitor, and this was Judge Ledwith. Bundy said that, in the light of this man's education, his low forehead, his necessities, and the improbability that, in the practice of the law, which was his business, he could make more than $2,500 a year, it was a wonder that he recanted. Tammany offered him a Judgeship, with a salary of $15,000 a year for fourteen years; and the poor, dull devil threw away his life to the Committee of Seventy, committee of victorious citizens for this brilliant decoration. Down he went, and his mistake and ignominy cannot be too vividly brought forward as a warning to other poor men who hear the devil promise them the world at the expense of their own souls.

Everybody says we will have a fiery session of Congress. Superficial observers may think that the superabundant power of the Republican party will make it easy for Grant's calling and election sure; but publicist menace in the Democratic annihilation the certainty of that natural division which, a party without an opponent, is sure to do. The country is not pronounced in its adhesion to any one man. The double-term system is abhoxious to the best thinkers and observers, who feel that the vital spirit of the country, it mighty needs, and its illimitable army of office-holders, constitute a potential reason why the President should not propose the monumental and master his court and creations to affect it. The Constitution of the United States will be amended before many years upon this matter. The President no longer term of office to the President, but only one term. It is a cowardly use of opportunities to see the Chief Magistrate, in the last months of his first term, bending the vast energies of his position to set himself in the saddle again. The United States never contained so many able statesmen as at this moment. Popular education, a prosperous journalism, and an incomparable system of intercommunication, have elevated the whole tone of the people to a degree unknown in the records of the world. Ambitious for place, the bulk of no country ever displayed before. In this condition of society, a few men are no longer prominent. A young orator from college, well trained in principles and faculties, is capable of meeting the old politician on a matter of economical reform or national reform. Men dissatisfied with the low type of our rulers go about asking the question, "Whom shall we take?" We cannot go amiss to take any man who has experience, standing, progress, and integrity, qualifying him to direct us. The party or the movement which shall nominate such a man would do well to put in its platform, next to the announcement against the dry-land ord term of office. The people are far ahead of their administration; and those who think it well to continue to have no better agency to make than that it had been expected to do worse. Thus we stand; millions of men, instinct with life, activity, and purpose, tied to a Directory which can only comprehend us when we roar but cannot think with us, talk with us, or feel with us, except by a blind cunning which seizes upon a moment of our despair to reelect itself. How much worse can this administration be in the next four years of lassitude and sure possession, when it has failed so much to comprehend us during the four years in which it has been on trial. The great victory to be accomplished between 1872 and the great centennial year of 1876 will be the recovery of the Democratic voters to the bosom of the nation, and a new enthusiasm for the State as it is to become. Victory, apparent victory, might do this; such a victory as the beaten elements could make by generous fusion with all that portion of the Republican party which is ahead of the President in charity, in hope, and in intelligence. During the next four years of the Presidency we shall stand upon the hundreth anniversary of the republic. One hundred years ago! how different! This poet, with a soul in his pen, was making our Declaration of Independence immortal and universal. Then, the Central Directory stood calm and prophetic with the scroll of the future unfolded before its eye, and the people everywhere reposed absolute faith in its intentions. A high sense of honor pervaded the galaxy of statesmen. Then, the President of Congress could meet even that formidable and glorious Commander-in-Chief like a peer, perhaps like a superior. The government was truly magisterial, truly discreet, perfectly open and sincere. Do we want to celebrate our centennial in 1876 under an administration of which we can quote nothing better than the good man's talk to his boys:

"Well, now, all things considered, our President has done pretty well! We ought to make allowance for him."

GATH.

THE NORTHWEST.

ILLINOIS.

A young woman, named Minnie Van Drew, committed suicide at Danville on the 22d inst., by taking laudanum. She has relatives in Lozansport, Ind.

--A party of mischievous boys near Kankakee, last week, stuffed an old suit of clothes with straw, with sticks of wood for legs, and buried it in the ground. They then killed a couple of chickens, and spilled the blood plentifully over and in the vicinity of the grave. As they expected, the grave and the blood were discovered, suspicions of murder were raised, the Coroner was summoned, a jury empanelled, and an inquest prepared for. Coroner, jury, and bystanders all acknowledged themselves "sold" when the straw dummy was exhumed.

--Milton Skidmore was shot at Shelbyville on the 16th inst., by jumping from a railroad train at a high bridge, and being he had reached the depot platform. He fell fifty or sixty feet, and was killed instantly.

--Alexander Durkin, indicted in Madison County for the murder of Michael Mullen, has been acquitted.

--Nathan Todd, a well-known farmer near Belleville, died recently.

--On Sunday, the 19th, at Monaco, a son, about 7 years old, of Irvine Creamer, had been washing in a room by himself, and the family were horrified to find him, shortly afterward, hanging dead, with the towel twisted around his neck. It was a revolving towel, suspended on a roller, and it is supposed that the little fellow had stood upon a chair to dry himself with the towel and playfully put it around his neck, or accidentally tipped the chair and fallen with his neck entangled in it, and so choked to death.

--A man named Dennis Smith was run over at Decatur, a few days since, by a railroad train, and killed. He has relatives in Portland, Me.

--Thomas R. Hogelun, a deserter from Company B, One Hundred and Twenty-third Illinois Mounted Infantry, who has been living with a Mr. Lewis, six miles below Neoga, seduced Mrs. Lewis, and on Saturday last shot at Mr. L. Missing his aim, he attacked Mr. Lewis with the butt end of the gun, which he broke, and drew a knife and stabbed his assailant, killing him instantly.

--Two men, named Henry Kinrolle and Frederick Ahrens, were poisoned, at Worden, on the 17th inst. The former died. The poison was administered, by unknown persons, in their food.

--The Knoxville (Marion County) *Democrat* says the logs are about all across in the region of country south of that city, in Indiana and Washington Townships. Hundreds of fat hogs have "kicked the bucket," some farmers losing their entire lot.

--The Hon. John L. Davies, of Davenport, is building a mansion to cost $40,000.

--A large hotel is building at Seymour.

--There are eight lady students at the Medical Department of the State University.

--Arthur Lutkin fell from the third story of the Newton school-house last Friday. He descended through an air-shaft a distance of fifty feet, and, by alighting in a pile of sand, was saved from instant death.

--From the Council Bluffs *Nonpareil* we learn that a suit has been commenced in the District Court at that place by William B. Craig, the contractor who built the Deaf and Dumb Asylum, against the Commissioners of said institution, claiming judgment for $60,000 against them.

--B. W. Lucas, a son of John Lucas, of Bloomfield, a student at the Mt. Pleasant University ten years ago, and a member of the First Iowa Infantry, died in California not long since.

--The Iowa City *Republican* says: "Michael McLaughlin, once the Head Centre of the Democratic party in Iowa County, is now languishing in our county jail, waiting trial on charge of incendiarism and forgery. It was with the greatest difficulty that the officers restrained the people of Marengo County from lynching him while en route to his present quarters."

--The prairie fires in Emmet County destroyed $10,000 worth of property.

--The total membership of the Presbyterian Church of Iowa is 19,000.

--The laying of the corner-stone of the new Iowa State Capitol took place at DesMoines on the 22d. The Hon. James F. Wilson, of Fairfield, delivered the introductory address. Governor Merrill the oration, and Captain A. S. Hardy the ode. The ceremonies of laying the stone took place according to programme. As an episode of the occasion, the Hon. John A. Kasson presented Governor Merrill with a beautiful silver trowel, a gift from the architects. At their meeting on Thursday, the Capitol Commissioners adopted a resolution that, after the laying of the corner stone, all further work is masonry and laying stone be suspended for the present season, and that the hands, foreman, and Local Superintendent be dismissed.

--Miss Chapin, pastor of the Universalist Church at Iowa City, dens the accoutrements of war, and boldly assails the editor of the *Republican* for opinions expressed by him concerning the reception of John P. Irish to full membership in the church of which she is pastor.

--The Rev. H. W. Keeler, of Cedar Falls, has been appointed pastor of the Fourth Methodist Church in Davenport.

--The office of the Keosauqua *Republican* was destroyed by fire on the 14th inst. A Freemason's lodge-room in the same building was also destroyed.

WISCONSIN.

Lake Michigan is trespassing on Racine soil. The *Advocate* says that some protection from the inroads of the lake must be made, or the lakeshore road entirely abandoned before long.

--The telegraph operator in Oshkosh is preparing to play a game of chess by telegraph with an operator in the Chicago office.

--The Fond du Lac *Commonwealth* says that George C. Chase, of the *Commonwealth* book bindery, has received the gratifying intelligence that he has fallen heir to a fortune of about one and a half millions in England.

--The Green Bay *Advocate* says lumber in that section has not been, for many years, as thoroughly "cleaned out" as it is at the present time, nor the demand as great. It is almost impossible to get enough lumber for the home demand, as a consequence, many of the mills are preparing to start up as soon as the "snow flies" and logs can be drawn in.

--The Oshkosh *Northwestern* reports that the navigation on the Wolf River closed on the 21st inst. The river closes rather earlier than usual, but, as it opened unusually early, the season has been as long as the average. Navigation closed on the 8th inst. last year.

--As the forces along the Menominee and Peshtigo Rivers are explored, more burned persons are being found from time to time. On Friday the bodies of two men were found--burned so badly as to be unrecognizable.

INDIANA.

--Levi Overhalser, a mercant of Vincennes, who was overhauled for fraud in his application for bankruptcy, has been sentenced to the Penitentiary, has applied for pardon.

--Attorney General Hana has instituted suit against the Indianapolis *Journal*. The complaint against the *Journal* is in two counts. The first charges that the defendants unlawfully converted to their own use the sum of $10,000, received by them for the use of the State. The second charges that the defendants fraudulently represented that the State was indebted to Alexander H. Conner, State Printer, in the sum of $20,000 for work done by them. The whole claim made is for $30,000.

--The total number of suits for divorce brought in the Allen County courts up to the present time is 1,200. Of these 711 husbands were plaintiffs and 300 wives. Forty-one divorces were granted in one day.

--There have been several murders committed in Clark County within the last three years, and no hanging done, except in the case of the negress, by burning her at the stake. The last hanging was that of a convict, who murdered a guard at the Indiana State Prison.

--At Windsor, Randolph County, last week, Dr. Chenoweth was called in by Thomas R. Fetters, who left medicine for an infant child, and portioned out some morphine for the mother. By mistake the mother's medicine was given to the child, which caused its death in a short time.

--A proposition to light the streets of Mount Vernon was opposed in the City Council of that burg, on the ground that, if the streets were lighted, thieves would be enabled to see when they were watched, and, consequently, it would be impossible to catch them.

--Six thousand dollars' worth of dried fruit was shipped from Petersburg, Pike County, last week.

--The Hon. D. W. Voorhees is aiding the prosecution in the Tapscott murder trial, which began in the Vigo Criminal Court a few days since.

--A fire in Jonesboro, on the 24th inst., destroyed two large stores and an Odd Fellows' lodge-room. Loss, $20,000.

--The Indianapolis *Journal* of the 24th says "A telegram was received here yesterday by R. B. Duncan, of the Duncan Elevator and Grain Company, announcing the death of George B. Prather, at Plumber, Pa. Mr. Prather was the partner of the late Thomas G. Duncan, who was well known in this city, and the two were founders and owners of the once famous town of Pit Hole. His loss will be greatly felt in the oil country. He leaves a fortune of about half a million dollars."

MICHIGAN.

The State contract for printing and book paper for the next two years has been awarded to the Peninsular Paper Company, of Ypsilanti.

--A man named James Smith, employed at the Central Railroad Elevator at Detroit, was killed on the 24th inst., by the recoil of a rope attached to a windlass, used for drawing in loaded cars.

--As J. K. Lewis, of Battle Creek, was engaged in his barn, at an early hour on the 19th, carrying a kerosene lantern, it exploded, setting fire to the hay, and consuming the barn so rapidly that he had only time to save himself and horses.

--A German newspaper is to be started in Grand Rapids.

--Muskegon lumbermen have posted bills in the Province of Quebec, calling for laborers in the pineries.

--The tenth annual Diocesan Missionary Meeting of the Episcopal Church of Michigan consisting of the Archdeaconry of Detroit--was held at the residence of Marshall on the 22d inst. Bishop McCoskry expressed himself on the subject of Ritualism. In answer to a question, he said that the Ritualists were the men who had stirred up the Church of England. While he did not sympathize with them, he would like witness to this fact. But, as in all extremes, the pendulum would soon swing to the other side. He did not sympathize with anything which symbolized Rome to the Church, and hoped that no true son of the Church would do so. By whatever name the agitators in England were called, they had started up the Church, and the work was not strirred up the Church, and the work was not wholly to be deprecated.

MINNESOTA.

The Winona *Republican* says many farmers are storing wheat for spring prices.

--The residence of Judge Edgerton, at St. Paul, was destroyed by fire on the 23d inst.

--The School Superintendent's report for Anoka County shows 1,622 school children, against 1,477 last year.

--A peat-swamp about nine miles south of Faribault is on fire, and has been burning for more than a month. The fire has burned into the ground for a depth of four feet, and large trees have been uprooted and destroyed. The swamp embraces about forty acres, all of which will probably be burned, as the rain and snow upon the surface have little effect in checking the fire.

--C. P. Wells, a young man, was brought to St. Paul on Tuesday evening last, in custody of Major McIlrath, charged with passing counterfeit money in Fillmore and Mower Counties.

--Mr. Hulsen, a dealer in Caledonia, received a case of Artic overshoes from Dubuque the other day, and on opening the same found storewood to have been substituted in eight pairs' stead.

MONETARY AND COMMERCIAL.

MONETARY.

MONDAY EVENING, Nov. 27.

The money markets, both local and general, remain quiet and remarkably easy for this season of the year. These months ago, before all monetable calculations as to the financial future were upset by the great disaster in this city, it was generally expected that the money market throughout the world would be easier during this winter than ever before during the same season of the year. It seems now, that from the standing the fire in this city, and the disturbances in France caused by the payment of the German indemnity, these expectations are to be fulfilled. Money is abundant in the principal European markets, and there is an active demand for American securities, both government bonds and railway bonds. This is shown by the high prices of both. Government 5-20s are now worth par in coin, and the stock of bonds in American markets is insufficient to meet the investment demand. The total amount of 5 and 6 per cent bonds of the United States now outstanding is in round figures, $1,500,000,000. Of these it is estimated that $1,000,000,000 are held abroad, $200,000,000 permanently by the national banks, and at least $100,000,000 by the insurance companies and various kinds of financial institutions. This leaves but $200,000,000 to supply the wants of investors and speculators in the United States; and this limited amount is diminished at the average rate of $30,000 per month by the redemption of 5-20s. Treasury, and also by the slight but steady flow of the bonds to Europe.

It is probable that if the banks and insurance companies had not been obliged to forego large amounts of cash on account of the fires in this city, the present government bonds would have been even higher than at present. The rates of interest generally have been gradually declining for six months past; large amounts of the United States bonds of 1881 are bought in Europe at prices which make them pay only about 5 per cent; and the German markets seem prepared to absorb large amounts of securities at about that rate of interest. The condition of finances generally has assisted the insurance companies to pay their losses promptly, and made a large temporary accumulation of money here. It is thought that the total bank deposits in this city now are at least $60,000,000 against not over $40,000,000 at this time last year. But there has been a large loss of local capital, and this accumulation of deposits is only temporary. When the abundance of capital elsewhere shall induce it to flow to Chicago in the handof new men, who will be drawn hither by the optimal opportunity afforded by the disaster to those who have heretofore transacted the business of the city.

Exchange is more freely offered at 50c per $1,000 discount for sales between here and the East, increasing demand of the country for currency makes a prospect that currency will have to be repressed from New York here before many days.

THE LOCAL INSURANCE COMPANIES.

Definite information as to what is being done in the settlement of the affairs of the local insurance companies is meagre and unsatisfactory. Before anything can be said about what they will probably pay, it is necessary to find out the amount of their losses. This cannot be ascertained until the leases are adjusted, and in this connection there is one circumstance that will probably reduce the amount of the losses considerably from the first estimates: The lessees of the burned buildings, including business, shops, stables, etc., more largely than the foreign companies. On this class of risks these companies paid about 50 cents on the dollar. Furniture, clothing, tools, etc., could be and were saved more easily than merchandise. The loss companies first estimated their losses by the total amount of their risks in the burnt district, but it seems probable there will be no more than one-half of the risks in the burnt district; but the adjustment of its losses upon a basis of 50 cents on the dollar of risks which was the total amount they had at risk

WASHOE IN CHICAGO.

Graf Diller at the Old Sherman House—An Amusing Narrative of His "Cage" Ride and Subsequent Search for the Office.

The Virginia City (Nevada) *Enterprise* publishes the following amusing narrative of the adventures of a gentleman of that city, at the Sherman House, subsequent to the fire:

A few weeks before the great fire in Chicago, Graf Diller honored that great metropolis of the West with a visit. Graf, as is well known in this State, is a great prospector, a great operator in stocks, and a great speculator in whatever is uppermost. When he landed in Chicago he wanted the best and biggest he could get for his money, so he stopped at the Sherman House. It is funny to hear him tell his experience at that grand establishment. We can only give a faint outline, as we must leave out all Graf has to say of his thoughts while a lone wanderer in the great building. He was taken to the big hotel in the night, and at once assigned and paid for a room. The price was high, but the room, as he says, "was an almighty sight higher." Graf tells his story about as follows:

When I was booked, the night foreman on the lower level calls up one of the men and gives me in charge. The man took me up two flights, along corridors to the main shaft, and stood me carpet-bag in hand onto a cage. This was all right, but I was up to cage rides; but when the blasted thing started it didn't start downward, as I reckoned it would, but upward. Being braced for a down movement, it rather beat me when it went the other way, and old Graf came mighty near beating his head through the bottom of the upper floor concern. We went up for a long time, and past lots of different floors and shafts, till the last we came to the upper level and found my room. You know I am an awful fly kind, and hence surprising I was up by daylight? Not a soul anywhere. I left my room and shoulder strap, and my carpet-bag, started out and down stairs. I went down stairs and along halls, and kept a-goin' down stairs and along halls till I was sure I was 'strung' to the bottom. I never found it. For the month of the main shaft, so's to go down on the cage, and that I never found it so long as I went down stairs and along halls again. Not a soul could I see to inquire of, and such a dead feeling I never had. If I'd been three days out in Death Valley, and my water all gone, couldn't have felt more sour. At last I found a door that opened into the street, but it was a street I didn't remember. I looked up at the house, but everything looked alike for both sides of the street. I knew I'd never seen to her come out of any house in particular. Seein' a small boy a little ways off I called him up.

"My son," sez I, "can you show me the way to the Sherman House?"

"To the Sir-man House!" sez the boy, lookin' at me cross-eyed like.

"To the Sherman House," sez I. "I'll give you two bits to show me the way to the Sherman House."

"Honey, Mister?" says the boy, lookin' wonderful.

"Yes, honey—on the square," sez I.

"No siree fly" sez he.

"No who-ism, if you're on the square," sez I.

"Hey-cy-y-y-yuss."

"Come on, Mister," said the boy, pocketing the fractional.

"Is it far?" sez I.

"Not your bit you'll think so," sez he.

I believe you, sez I, kid-ish-away.

"Say, my son, is this the first street I is this?"

"This! Clark, sir."

"What! Clark, sez I, makin' a note of it in my book; go ahead."

Pretty soon we turned, and I sez: "what street is this, boy?"

"Lasalle, Mister."

"All right, dig along," and put down the name. After a bit we turned another corner.

"What street is this?" sez I.

"This! This is LaSalle."

"LaSalle," sez I, and I wrote it down, surprised at getting into so many new streets. "Boy," sez I, "are you sure you're not getting lost?"

"Me lost!" says he, "not much."

By this time we had a new street, and the boy sez:

"Here we are on Randolph street, sir, Sherman's just down on the next corner."

Down we went to the corner, and I sez: "What's this here street we're a-standin' on?"